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(54) Vibrating type pressure measuring device.

(57) A vibrating type pressure measuring device having good shock wave proof measuring pressure characteristics, and showing high frequency answer, and having good temperature characteristics and is easy to be miniaturised, in which measurement pressure is received with a measuring diaphragm (127) consisting of silicon provided in an internal Vacant space of a housing, and magnetic field is applied by a DC current magnetic field applying means (141-144) to a vibrator beam (124) arranged in the inside of the measuring diaphragm (127) with a gap kept in vacuum, and fixed to the measuring diaphragm (127) at both ends, and detects the frequency of the natural vibration changed and generated on this vibrator beam (124) in correspondence to the measuring pressure, and together with that the measuring diaphragm (127) is made be prevented to become capable to resonance as a result of that the vibrator beam (124) carries out vibration. Further, in addition,

the device is made in such a manner that the vibrator beam (124) can be prevented from adhering to the wall surface of the measuring diaphragm in the circumference of the vibrator beam as a result of the vibration.

Background of the Invention

1. Field of the Invention

The present invention relates to a vibrating type pressure measuring device, in which the vibrator beam formed on a silicon substrate is let to vibrate in the natural frequency of the vibrator beam thereof, and detects the change of the vibration frequency generated in the vibrator beam in correspondence to the change of the force applied to the substrate, and together with that, the resonance of the measuring diaphragm due to the vibration of the vibrator beam is prevented, and together with that, the destruction of the measuring diaphragm due to the shock wave-like measuring pressure is also prevented.

The present invention relates to a vibrating type transducer in which the vibrator beam does not adhere to the wall surface of a vacuum chamber, even if there is such a case that the vibrator beam contacts to the wall surface of the vacuum chamber by the external disturbance such as shock, etc., and buckling, etc., and returns perfectly to the initial state, when the external disturbance is removed.

2. Description of the Prior Art

Figs. 1 to 4 are constitutional diagrams for showing the constitution of an embodiment of the conventional vibrating type pressure measuring device, for example, shown in USP No. 4841775 as a perspective diagram. Fig. 2 is a constitutional diagram in which the A part in Fig. 1 is enlarged, and a vibration detecting circuit has been connected thereto. Fig. 3 a sectional diagram for showing A-A' sectional surface in Fig. 2, Fig. 4 an explanatory diagram in which the constitution shown in Fig. 2 has been shown by an electrical equivalent circuit.

As shown in Fig. 1, numeral 10 denotes a substrate of the silicon single crystal of the conduction type of D type, in which the upper surface thereof has the crystalline plane of (100), for example, of the impurity concentration of less than 10^{15} atoms/cm³. On one surface of this substrate 10, there is formed a diaphragm 11 by being engraved by etching from the back surface, in thin thickness.

The thick thickness part 12 in the circumferential part of this diaphragm 11 is adhered to a pedestal 14 having a pressure conducting hole 13 in the center, and further, this pedestal 14 is adhered to a pressure conducting pipe 15 in such a manner as it communicates to the pressure conducting hole 13, and the pressure P to be measured is introduced in this pressure conducting pipe 15.

On the surface of the side not subjected to the

above-described etching of this diaphragm 11 shown with a symbol A, there is formed partially an n⁺ diffusion layer (abridged in the figure) of the impurity concentration of about 10^{17} , and on one part of this n⁺ diffusion layer, is formed the vibrator 16 in the direction of the crystal axis <001> (Fig. 2). In this vibrator 16, the n⁺ layer and the D layer are processed by use of the technologies of the photolithography and the underetching.

Numeral 17 denotes a magnet provided in non-contact state and perpendicularly to the vibrator 16 at about the central upper part of the vibrator 16, and numeral 18 denotes an SiO₂ film as an insulating film (cf. Fig. 3).

Numerals 19a and 19b denote metal electrodes such as aluminium, etc., and a terminal of this metal electrode 19a is connected to the n⁺ layer elongated from the vibrator 16 through a contact hole 20a provided via the SiO₂ layer, and another terminal thereof is connected to a terminal of a comparative resistance R_c, which has approximately equal resistance value to that of the vibrator 16, and the input terminal of an amplifier 21, respectively. From the output terminal of the amplifier 21, together with that output signals are taken out, it is connected to a terminal of the primary coil L₁ of a transformer 22. Another terminal of this coil L₁ is connected to a common line.

On the other hand, another terminal of the comparative resistance R_c is connected to a terminal of the secondary coil L₂ of the transformer 22 in which the midpoint is connected to the common line, and another terminal of this secondary coil L₂ is connected to the metal electrode 19b formed on another terminal of the vibrator 16 via contact hole 20b to the n⁺ layer.

In the above-described constitution, when reverse bias voltage is applied between the D type layer (substrate 10) and the n⁺ type layer (vibrator 16) to insulate them, and DC current i is passed to the vibrator 16, although the impedance rises up in the resonance state of the vibrator beam 16, the equivalent circuit as shown in Fig. 4 is obtained when the impedance at this time is denoted as R.

Therefore, since a bridge is constituted with the secondary coil L₂ in which the midpoint C₀ has been connected to the common line, the comparative resistance R_c, and the impedance R, the non-equilibrium signals by this bridge are detected by the amplifier 21, and when the output thereof is positive, the output is returned to the primary coil L₁, and the system generates self exciting vibration with the natural frequency of the vibrator 16.

In the above-described constitution, the impedance R of the vibrator beam 16 rises up in the natural frequency. This impedance R can be represented by the following equation.

$$R = (1/222) \cdot (1/(Eg\gamma)^{1/2}) \cdot (AB^2l^2/bh^2) \cdot Q + R_d,$$

wherein,

- E : elasticity,
- g : gravitational acceleration,
- γ : density of the material constituting the vibrator,
- A : a constant determined by the vibrating mode,
- B : magnetic flux density,
- l : length of the vibrator beam,
- b : width of the vibrator beam,
- h : thickness of the vibrator beam,
- Q : sharpness of the resonance,
- R_d : DC resistance value.

According to the above-described equation, since Q of the vibrator 16 takes the value of several hundred to several ten thousand, large vibration signals can be obtained as the output of the amplifier 21 in the resonance state. As described above, when the vibrating type transducer is constituted in such a manner that it carries out positive return by taking the gain of the amplifier 21 sufficiently large, the system carries out self exciting vibration at the natural frequency.

By the way, as the vibrator may be used the one formed in the p type, for example, by diffusing B (boron) to the n type silicon substrate for more than 4×10^{19} atoms /cm³ and by means of selective etching.

However, in such a device as described above, when the resonance frequency number of the diaphragm is in the performance frequency number range of the vibrator 16, and overlaps to the resonance frequency of the vibrator 16 by the change of the pressure, lock-in is generated to deteriorate the linearity, or generates hysteresis.

Also, for the shock-like measuring pressure, a squeeze R is provided in the pressure conducting hole 13, and by providing a suitable time constant by the volume C of the pressure measuring chamber around the silicon diaphragm 11, the destruction of the silicon diaphragm 11 by the shock-like measuring pressure is prevented.

In general, since the silicon diaphragm 11 has resonance characteristics, it is designed in such a manner as described in the following.

At first, as shown in Fig. 5, the frequency characteristics of the silicon diaphragm 11 will be examined.

In Fig. 5, the ordinate represents dB and the abscissa the frequency. The symbol f_0 denotes the resonance frequency of the silicon diaphragm 11, and G_0 the amplitude ratio at the resonance point.

Next, as shown in Fig. 6, the frequency characteristics of the pressure conducting line will be investigated.

In Fig. 6, the ordinate represents dB and the

abscissa the frequency. The symbol f_c represents the shut down frequency of the pressure conducting line, G_L the amplitude ratio, C the volume, and R the squeeze.

- 5 Total characteristics are shown in Fig. 7.
- Thus, the pressure conducting line frequency characteristics must be designed in such a manner that it becomes such as $G_0 + G_L \leq 0$ dB. In this case,
- 10 (1) The shut down frequency f_c of the pressure conducting line becomes low, and the answering becomes bad.
- (2) Large squeeze R becomes necessary.
- (3) The capacity C must be made large, and temperature characteristics become bad.

Due to such facts, miniaturization becomes difficult.

By the way, the PRESSURE MEASURING APPARATUS USING VIBRATABLE WIRE is the one for detecting the vibration frequency of the vibrator, and the one for detecting the frequency output as a digital output. Since it is a digital output, it has high resolution and high S/N ratio, but since the vibrator is made of metal, it has the defect of generating the drift and hysteresis.

Summary of the Invention

The present invention intends to solve this problematic point. The object of the present invention resides in providing a vibrating type pressure measuring device, which has good linearity, hysteresis, and a cheap price, and which has good shock wave proof measuring pressure characteristics, and good temperature characteristics, and is easy to be miniaturised.

Brief Description of the Drawings

- 40 Figs. 1 to 4 are constitution explanatory diagrams of the conventional examples used heretofore in general; Figs. 5 to 7 are explanatory diagrams of the performance of Fig. 1; Figs. 11 and 12 are performance explanatory diagrams of Fig. 8;
- 45 Fig. 13 is an essential part constitution explanatory diagram of another embodiment of the present invention; Fig. 14 is an essential part constitution explanatory diagram of the different embodiment of the present invention; Fig. 15 is an essential part constitution explanatory diagram of another embodiment of the present invention; Figs. 16 to 22 are production procedure explanatory diagrams of Fig. 15; Fig. 23 is an essential part constitution explanatory diagram of another embodiment of the present invention; Fig. 24 is an essential part constitution explanatory diagram of the use example of the vibrator beam of the present invention; Fig. 25 is an essential part constitution explanatory dia-

gram of a different embodiment of the present invention; Figs. 26 to 32 are production procedure explanatory diagrams of Fig. 25; Fig. 33 is an essential part constitution explanatory diagram of another embodiment of the present invention; Figs. 34 to 42 are production procedure explanatory diagrams of Fig. 33; Fig. 43 is an essential part constitution explanatory diagram of the different embodiment of the present invention; Figs. 44 to 50 are the production procedure explanatory diagrams of Fig. 43; Fig. 51 is a performance explanatory diagram of Fig. 43; Fig. 52 is an essential part constitution explanatory diagram of another embodiment of the present invention; Figs. 53 to 59 are the production procedure explanatory diagrams of Fig. 52; and Fig. 60 is the performance explanatory diagram of Fig. 52.

Description of the Preferred Embodiments

Fig. 8 is an essential part constitution explanatory diagram of an embodiment of the present invention, Fig. 9 is an essential part detailed diagram of Fig. 8, and Fig. 10 is an essential part detailed diagram of Fig. 9.

In the figures, numeral 101 denotes a block-like body, 102 an internal chamber provided in the inside of the body 101, and 103 a center diaphragm for dividing the inside chamber 102 into two center chambers 104 and 105.

The ones denoted by the numerals 111 and 112 are provided in the external side surface of the body 101, and are seal diaphragms for constituting the body 101 and the seal chambers 113 and 114. Numerals 115 and 116 denote back up nests provided in the body 101 in opposition to the seal diaphragms 111 and 112.

Numerical 117 is a communicating hole for communicating the center chambers 104 and 105 and the seal chambers 113 and 114.

Numerical 118 is a housing having one surface connected to the body 101 and an inside vacant space 119.

Numerical 120 is a sensor part comprising a supporting body 121, a substrate 122, a chip part 123, and a vibrator beam 124.

The supporting body 121 is provided in the internal vacant space 119.

The substrate 122 has one surface supported by the supporting body 121, and consists of silicon.

The chip part 123 has a diaphragm 127 formed with a concave part 126, and a measuring chamber of one side 128 constituted of the substrate 122 and the concave part 126, and consists of silicon.

The vibrator beam 124 is provided in the diaphragm 127 by keeping a vacant space 131.

The part between the vacant space 131 and

the external surface of the chip part 123 constitutes a shell 129.

Numeral 140 denotes a DC applying means, and comprises a spacer 141, a permanent magnet 142, a yoke 143, and a yoke holder 144, and constitutes the sensor part 120 and the measuring chamber 145 of another side, and applies DC magnetic field to the above-described vibrator beam.

The spacer 141 has one surface fixed in the housing 118, and is provided in the circumference of the supporting body 121, substrate 122, and chip part 123.

The permanent magnet 142 is arranged in opposition to the vibrator beam 124.

The yoke 143 preserves the permanent magnet 142 and applies perpendicularly intersecting magnetic flux to the axial direction of the vibrator beam 124, and together with that, has one surface approached to the diaphragm 127, and constitutes a required narrow vacant space 145 with the diaphragm 127.

The yoke holder 144 holds the yoke 143, and is fixed to the spacer 141.

Numerical 151 denotes a cap body of U letter shaped cross section having elasticity for setting the relative position of the vibrator beam 124 and the magnet 142 with good precision, and consists of a material having thermal expansion coefficient nearly equal to that of the yoke holder 144 and the housing 118, and it has such a construction that the yoke holder 144 is fitted in a gap in the bottom part 152, which presses the yoke holder 144 to the spacer 141, and in the open hole part 153 side, the housing 118 is fitted in the gap and is welded 155 and fixed to the housing 118 at the open port peripheral part 154.

Numerical 161 denotes a communicating hole for communicating the measuring chamber 128 of one side to the one side 105 of the center chamber.

Numerical 162 denotes a communicating hole for communicating the measuring chamber 145 of another side to the another side 106 of the center chamber.

Numerals 163 and 160 are non-compressive charged liquids respectively charged in two chambers constituted of the seal chambers 113 and 114, communicating holes 117, 161 and 162, center chambers 105 and 106, internal vacant space 119, and measuring chambers 128 and 145. In this case, silicon oil is used as the charged liquids.

In the above-described constitution, the differential pressure applied to the seal diaphragms 111 and 112 is transmitted to the measuring chambers 128 and 145, respectively, via communicating holes 161 and 162, and let the diaphragm 127 be displaced in correspondence to the differential pressure. By the displacement proportional to this differential pressure, the axial power of the vibrator

beam 124 fixed at both ends to the diaphragm 127 is changed.

The vibrator beam 124 is constituted in such a manner that it vibrates at the natural frequency of the vibrator beam 124 by the magnetic field of the DC applying means 140 and the closed loop self exciting vibration circuit (described in the following) connected to the vibrator beam 124.

Therefore, since the natural frequency of the vibrator beam 124 changes, when the axial power of the vibrator beam 124 changes, the measuring pressure can be measured.

Then, the diaphragm 127 does not resonance to the vibrator beam 124, by being damped by the yoke 143 arranged to hold a predetermined gap in opposition to the measuring diaphragm 127, the interval dimension of a predetermined gap 146, and the viscosity resistance of the charged liquid 164 intervened in the gap 146.

Also, since the frequency answering characteristics of the measuring diaphragm 127 is constituted in such a manner that it becomes less than the critical attenuation for the external shock wave measuring pressure, the pressure is perfectly damped, and a flat frequency answer can be obtained till to the resonance frequency of the measuring diaphragm 127.

That is, although the diaphragm 127 has the resonance frequency determined by the shape thereof, but it is braked by the silicon oil 154 intervened in the gap between the diaphragm 127 and the yoke 143, and the diaphragm 127 can be made not to resonance, even if the vibration frequency number of the vibrator beam 124 agrees to the resonance frequency of the diaphragm 127.

For example, in the present embodiment, this condition is sufficiently attained in a silicon oil of 100 cs by the gap 146 of <0.1 mm between the yoke 143 and the diaphragm 127.

Fig. 11 shows an example in which the relationship of Q of the diaphragm 127 and the gap 146 in various kinds of fluids has been actually measured. It has been known that at $Q < 0.7$, the influence of the resonance of the diaphragm 127 becomes little.

The symbol A shows the case where the charged liquid 164 is the atmosphere, B the case of freon, and C the case of silicon.

Also, since by the yoke 143 arranged by keeping a predetermined gap 146 in opposition to the diaphragm 127, the interval dimension h of the predetermined gap 146, and the viscosity resistance of the charged liquid 164 intervened in the gap, the device is constituted in such a manner that the frequency answering characteristics of the diaphragm 127 for the external shock wave measuring pressure become less than the critical attenuation, so that it is perfectly damped, and flat

frequency answer can be obtained till to the resonance frequency of the diaphragm 127.

As the result,

- 5 (1) Since the resonance of the diaphragm 127 is not generated for the vibrator beam 124, there is no case of deteriorating the linearity by the resonance, and of generating the hysteresis, and a vibrating type pressure measuring device of high precision can be obtained.
- 10 (2) Even if a shock-like measuring pressure is applied to the device, the diaphragm 127 is not destructed. That is, the diaphragm 127 is not destructed by the shock-like measuring pressure, and a pressure measuring device for showing high frequency wave answer can be obtained.
- 15 (3) The squeeze R and the volume can be made small, and a device having good temperature characteristics becomes easily miniaturised.

20 In Fig. 12 is shown the relationship between the gap dimension h and the frequency wave characteristics of the device.

25 The frequency wave characteristic shown by the gap h_c shows the frequency wave characteristic curve of the present invention.

Also, in the cap body 151, the housing 118 and the yoke holder are fitted in the gap, and the bottom part 152 is made push the yoke holder 144 and the spacer 141 in the direction of the vibrator beam 124, and since the open port peripheral part 154 of the cap body 151 has been fixed to the housing 118 by welding 155, so that since the cap body 151 can push the yoke holder 144 to the housing 118, the relative position of the housing and the yoke-holder can be correctly assured. Therefore, the relative position of the vibrator beam 124 and the magnet 142 in the perpendicular direction to the axis of the cap body 124 can be assembled with good precision and correctly.

40 Due to such a fact, improvement of the output characteristics can be devised, and the precision of the measuring pressure can be improved.

Also, in the pushing to fix performance by the cap body 151 and the bottom part 152, since there is no position of joining or adhesion, there is not generated harmful stress concentration, strain, etc. for the external disturbance such as that of the temperature. That is, strong and stable characteristics of the device can be assured for long period.

50 Fig. 13 is an essential part constitution explanatory diagram of another embodiment of the present invention. In the present embodiment, a rigid body wall 165 has been provided in opposition to the internal side surface of the diaphragm 127.

55 Fig. 14 is an essential part constitution explanatory diagram of another embodiment of the present invention. In the present embodiment, the

diaphragm 127 and the rigid body wall 166 has been provided in one united constitution.

Fig. 15 is an essential part constitution explanatory diagram of another embodiment of the present invention. By the way, in the conventional example of Fig. 1, the surface of the vibrator 3 is a mirror surface, and since the surface roughness is little and the surface is active, when the vibrator 3 contacts to the wall surface of the diaphragm 11 by external disturbance such as the shock, etc. or the buckling, etc. due to a large compression force, there happens to generate such a case that the vibrator as it is, adheres to the wall surface of the diaphragm.

As a countermeasure therefor, it can be conjectured that the side wall surface of the diaphragm 11 is made be an inclined surface, and the side surface of the legthwise direction of the vibratoror 3 just touches to this inclined surface to form a line contact.

However, even if the diaphragm has been constituted in such a manner as described above, it is not solved that the vibrator beam adheres to the wall surface of the diaphragm 11. The embodiment in Fig. 15 intends to solve this problematic point.

In the figure, numeral 167 denotes a rough surface or an uneven surface provided on the wall surface 132 of the diaphragm 127 or on the surface of the vibrator beam 124 in such a manner as that the vibrator beam 124 does not adhere to the wall surface 132 of the diaphragm 127. In this case, the surface provided on the wall surface 132 of the diaphragm 127 consists of a polysilicon layer having a large surface.

In the present embodiment, even if there is such a case that the vibrator beam 124 contacts to the wall surface of the diaphragm 127 due to the external disturbance such as shock, etc. or buckling, etc., the vibrator beam 124 does not adhere on the wall surface 132 of the diaphragm 127 due to the existence of the rough surface 167, and when the external disturbance has been removed, the device can perfectly return to the initial state.

That is, in the case when the wall surface 132 of the diaphragm 127 is a mirror surface, since the surface roughness is little and the surface is active, although there is such a fear that the vibrator beam 124, as it is, adheres to the wall surface 132 of the diaphragm 127, when the vibrator beam 124 contacts to the wall surface 132 of the diaphragm 127, but since the wall surface 132 of the diaphragm has been made be covered with a polysilicon layer 167, there is no such case that the vibrator beam 124 adheres to the wall surface 132 of the diaphragm 127, and the reliability of the device can be improved.

Further, in this case, although explanation has been given on the case where the polysilicon layer

167 has been provided on the surface of a part of the wall surface 132 of the diaphragm 127, it is needless to say that the polysilicon layer 167 may be provided on the total surface of the wall surface 132 of the diaphragm 127.

Such a chip part 123 as described above is prepared, for example, as shown in Figs. 16 to 22.

(1) As shown in Fig. 16, on the chip part 123 cut on the n type silicon (100) surface, the film 171 of silicon oxide or silicon nitride is formed. The required position 172 of the film 171 is removed by photolithography.

(2) As shown in Fig. 17, in a hydrogen (H_2) atmosphere of $1050^\circ C$, a concave part 173 is formed by carrying out etching with hydrogen chloride, and by etching a required part 172 of the chip part 123, and undercutting the film 171.

By the way, the anisotropic etching may be used in which high temperature steam and oxygen are used, or an alkaline liquid of $40^\circ C$ to $130^\circ C$ is used, in-stead of hydrogen chloride.

(3) As shown in Fig. 18, selective epitaxial growth method is carried out in an atmosphere of hydrogen (H_2) of $1050^\circ C$ by mixing hydrogen chloride gas in the source gas. That is,

① The first epitaxial layer 174 corresponding to the half of the gap 131 is let be subjected to the selective epitaxial growth with the p type silicon of the boron concentration of 10^{18} cm^{-3} .

② The second epitaxial layer 175 corresponding to the oscillation beam 124 is let be subjected to the selective epitaxial growth with the p type silicon of the boron concentration of $3 \times 10^{19} \text{ cm}^{-3}$.

③ On the surface of the second epitaxial layer 175, the third epitaxial layer 176 corresponding to the lower half of the gap 131 is let be subjected to the selective epitaxial growth with the p type silicon of the boron concentration of 10^{18} cm^{-3} .

④ On the surface of the third epitaxial layer 176, the fourth epitaxial layer 177 corresponding to the shell 129 is let be subjected to the selective epitaxial growth with the p type silicon of the boron concentration of 10^{19} cm^{-3} .

(4) As shown in Fig. 19, an etching pouring inlet 178 is provided by removing the film 171 of silicon oxide or silicon nitride by carrying out etching with hydrogen fluoride acid (HF).

(5) As shown in Fig. 20, for the fourth layer, by applying positive pulse or positive voltage to the chip part 123 and pouring in an alkaline liquid from the etching pouring inlet 178, the first epitaxial layer 174 and the third epitaxial layer 176 are removed by carrying out selective etching.

The reason why there is the difference of

the etching action between the second epitaxial layer 175 and the first epitaxial layer 174 or the third epitaxial layer 176 resides in that a suppressing phenomenon is generated in the etching action, when the boron concentration becomes more than $3 \times 10^{19} \text{ cm}^{-3}$.

(6) As shown in Fig. 21, on the total surface, the film 179 of silicon oxide or silicon nitride is formed. In this case, the silicon oxide film 179 is formed.

(7) As shown in Fig. 22, a polysilicon layer 181 is formed at 950°C and in 200 Torr in the state of silan (SiH_4) of 0.3 l/min, phosphine (PH_3) of 0.0005 l/min, and hydrogen of 200 l/min, and the etching pouring inlet 178 is closed. The surface roughness of the polysilicon layer 181 in this case is about $0.1 \mu\text{m}$ in the pitch interval.

Fig. 23 is an essential part constitution explanatory diagram of another embodiment of the present invention, and is an enlarged diagram centered at the part of the vibrator beam 124. In the figure, the constitution having the same symbol as that in Fig. 8 represents the same function.

Numeral 182 denotes a rough surface provided on the one surface in the side of the shell 129 of the vibrator beam 124.

In the above-described constitution, when a measuring pressure is applied on the vibrator beam 124, the axial force of the vibrator beam 124 changes, and since its natural frequency changes, the pressure to be measured can be measured by the change of the vibrator frequency.

Then, since a rough surface 182 is provided on one surface in the side of the shell 129 of the vibrator beam 124, even in the case when the vibrator beam 124 contacts to the wall surface 132 of the diaphragm 127, the vibrator beam 124 does not adhere to the wall surface 132 of the diaphragm 127 due to the existence of the rough surface 182, and can perfectly return to the initial state, when the external disturbance is removed.

Fig. 24 is an essential part constitution explanatory diagram of the use example of the vibrator beam of the present invention. In the figure, numeral 124 denotes an vibrator beam in which both terminals are fixed on the diaphragm 127, and are equipped with two first vibrators 191 and the second vibrator 192 for mechanically connecting the node parts of the vibration of the first vibrators 191.

Numeral 193 denotes the vibration exciting means for exciting the vibrator beam 124 by the magnetic induction action to the direction for perpendicularly intersecting the magnetic field and current by letting AC current flow to the both terminals of the first vibrator 191 of one side by an input transformer 194 by applying perpendicularly intersecting magnetic field to the vibrator beam 124

with a magnet 143.

In the input transformer 194, the secondary side is connected to the both terminals of the first vibrator 191 of one side.

5 Numeral 195 denotes the vibration detecting means for detecting the electromotive force generated in both terminals of another first vibrator 191. In this case, an output transformer 196 and an amplifier 197 are used. The primary side of the 10 output transformer 196 is connected to both terminals of another first vibrator 191, and the secondary side is connected to the output terminal 198 via the amplifier 197, and together with that, is diverged 15 and connected to the primary side of the input transformer 194, and constitutes as a whole a positive feed back self exciting vibration circuit. The vibration of the vibrator beam 124 is detected by the vibration detecting means 195, and is taken out as output signals.

20 By the way, in the above-described embodiment, although explanation has been given on the rough surface of such ones which are provided on the wall surface of the shell 129 on the wall surface 132 of the diaphragm, or on one surface of the shell 127 of the vibrator beam 124, but it is not limited to these ones, and for example, the rough surface may be provided on the whole of the wall surface of the diaphragm 132 or on the whole surface of the vibrator beam 124, and in short, it 25 30 35 40 45 50 55 60 65 70 75 80 85 90 95 100 105 110 115 120 125 130 135 140 145 150 155 160 165 170 175 180 185 190 195 200 205 210 215 220 225 230 235 240 245 250 255 260 265 270 275 280 285 290 295 300 305 310 315 320 325 330 335 340 345 350 355 360 365 370 375 380 385 390 395 400 405 410 415 420 425 430 435 440 445 450 455 460 465 470 475 480 485 490 495 500 505 510 515 520 525 530 535 540 545 550 555 560 565 570 575 580 585 590 595 600 605 610 615 620 625 630 635 640 645 650 655 660 665 670 675 680 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ing type transducer of the embodiment of Fig. 25 is produced as shown in Figs. 26 to 32.

(1) As shown in Fig. 26, on the chip part 123 cut on the (100) plane of the n type silicon, the film 211 of silicon oxide or silicon nitride is formed. The required position 212 of the film 211 is removed by photolithography.

(2) As shown in Fig. 27, in the hydrogen (H_2) atmosphere of $1050^\circ C$, etching has been carried out by hydrogen chloride, and by undercutting the film 211 by etching the required position 212 of the chip part 123, a concave part 213 is formed.

By the way, instead of hydrogen chloride, may be used high temperature steam and oxygen, or the anisotropic etching with an alkaline liquid of $40^\circ C$ to $130^\circ C$ may be used.

(3) As shown in Fig. 28, in a hydrogen (H_2) atmosphere of $1050^\circ C$, the selective epitaxial growth method is carried out by mixing hydrogen chloride gas in the source gas.

That is,

① With the P type silicon of the boron concentration of 10^{18} cm^{-3} , the first epitaxial layer 214 corresponding to the upper half of the gap 131 is made be subjected to the selective epitaxial growth.

② With the P type silicon of the boron concentration of $3 \times 10^{19} \text{ cm}^{-3}$, the second epitaxial layer 215 corresponding to the vibrator beam 124 is made be subjected to the selective epitaxial growth in such a manner that the required part 212 is closed on the surface of the first epitaxial layer 214.

③ With the P type silicon of the boron concentration of 10^{18} cm^{-3} , the third epitaxial layer 216 corresponding to the lower half of the gap 131 is made be subjected to the selective epitaxial growth on the surface of the second epitaxial layer 215.

④ With the P type silicon of the boron concentration of $3 \times 10^{19} \text{ cm}^{-3}$, the fourth epitaxial layer 217 corresponding to the shell 4 is made be subjected to the selective epitaxial growth on the surface of the third epitaxial layer 216.

(4) As shown in Fig. 29, the film 211 of silicon oxide or silicon nitride is removed by carrying out etching with hydrogen fluoride acid (HF), and an etching pouring inlet 218 is provided.

(5) As shown in Fig. 30, by applying positive pulse or positive voltage to the chip part 123 for the fourth layer, the first epitaxial layer 214 and the third epitaxial layer 216 are removed by carrying out the selective etching by pouring in an alkaline liquid from the etching pouring inlet 218.

The reason why the difference of the etch-

ing action is present between the second epitaxial layer 215 and the first epitaxial layer 214 or the third epitaxial layer 216 resides in the generation of the suppressing phenomenon to the etching action, when the boron concentration becomes more than $3 \times 10^{19} \text{ cm}^{-3}$.

(6) As shown in Fig. 31, the film 219 of silicon oxide or silicon nitride is formed on the whole body. In this case, an silicon oxide film 219 is formed.

(7) As shown in Fig. 32, at $950^\circ C$ and in 200 Torr, in the state of silane (SiH_4) of 0.3 l/min, phosphine (PH_3) of 0.0005 l/min, and hydrogen of 200 l/min, a polysilicon layer 221 is formed on the silicon oxide film 219, and the etching pouring inlet 218 is closed. The surface roughness of the polysilicon layer 221 is about $0.1 \mu\text{m}$ in the pitch interval.

As a result, since the surface of the vibrator beam 124 is a mirror surface, and its surface roughness is little and it is active, although there is such a fear that when the vibrator beam 124 contacts to the wall surface of the shell 129 by the external disturbance such as shock, etc. or buckling, etc. due to a large compression force, it adheres, as it is, on the wall surface of the shell 129, but since the surface of the vibrator beam 124 has been made be covered with the second layer consisting of polysilicon having rough surface, the vibrator beam 124 does not adhere to the wall surface of the shell 129, and reliability of the device is improved.

Fig. 33 is an essential part constitution explanatory diagram of another embodiment of the present invention and an enlarged diagram centered at the part of the vibrator beam 124. In the figure, the constitution of the same symbol as that in Fig. 8, represents the same function.

Numerical 231 denotes the first layer consisting of an oxide film or a nitride film provided by covering the surface of the vibrator beam 124.

Numerical 232 denotes the second layer consisting of polysilicon of a rough surface provided by covering the surface of the first layer 231.

Numerical 233 denotes the third layer consisting of an oxide film or a nitride film provided by covering the wall surface 132 of the diaphragm 127.

Numerical 234 denotes the fourth layer consisting of polysilicon provided by covering the surface of the third layer 223.

Numerical 235 denotes the seventh layer consisting of a silicon single crystal provided by covering the external surface of the shell 129.

In the above-described constitution, the vibrating type transducer of the embodiment of Fig. 33 is produced in such a manner as described in Figs. 34 to 42.

(1) As shown in Fig. 34, the film 241 of silicon oxide or silicon nitride is formed on the chip part 123 cut on the (100) plane of the n type silicon. The necessary part 242 of the film 241 is removed by photolithography.

(2) As shown in Fig. 35, in an atmosphere of hydrogen (H_2) of $1050^\circ C$, etching is carried out with hydrogen chloride, and the necessary position 242 of the chip part 123 is etched and the film 241 is undercut to form a concave part 243.

By the way, instead of hydrogen chloride, high temperature steam and oxygen may be used, or the anisotropic etching by an alkaline liquid of $40^\circ C$ to $130^\circ C$ may be used.

(3) As shown in Fig. 36, in an atmosphere of hydrogen (H_2) of $1050^\circ C$, the selective epitaxial growth method is carried out by mixing hydrogen chloride gas in the source gas.

That is,

① By the p type silicon of the boron concentration of 10^{18} cm^{-3} , the first epitaxial layer 244 corresponding to the upper half of the gap 131 is let be subjected to the selective epitaxial growth.

② By the p type silicon of the boron concentration of $3 \times 10^{19} \text{ cm}^{-3}$, the second epitaxial layer 245 corresponding to the vibrator beam 124 is let be subjected to the selective epitaxial growth on the surface of the first epitaxial layer 244, in such a manner as to close the necessary position 242.

③ By the p type silicon of the boron concentration of 10^{18} cm^{-3} , on the surface of the second epitaxial layer 245, the third epitaxial layer 246 corresponding to the lower half of the gap 131 is let be subjected to the selective epitaxial growth.

④ By the p type silicon of the boron concentration of $3 \times 10^{19} \text{ cm}^{-3}$, the fourth epitaxial layer 247 is let be subjected to the selective epitaxial growth on the surface of the third epitaxial layer 246.

(4) As shown in Fig. 37, the film 241 of silicon oxide or silicon nitride is removed by etching with hydrogen fluoride (HF) to provide an etching pouring inlet 248.

(5) As shown in Fig. 38, by applying positive pulse or positive voltage to the chip part 123 for the fourth layer, and by pouring in an alkaline liquid from the etching pouring inlet 248, the first epitaxial layer 244 and the third epitaxial layer 246 are removed by carrying out selective etching.

The reason why there is the difference of etching actions between the second epitaxial layer 245 and the first epitaxial layer 244 or the third epitaxial layer 246 resides in that a suppressing phenomenon is generated in the etch-

ing action, when the boron concentration becomes more than $3 \times 10^{19} \text{ cm}^{-3}$.

(6) As shown in Fig. 39, the film 249 of silicon oxide or silicon nitride is formed on the whole body. In this case silicon oxide film 249 is formed.

(7) As shown in Fig. 40, positive type resist 251 is painted on the whole body. After painting the resist 251, whole surface exposure is carried out with ultraviolet rays.

(8) As shown in Fig. 41, the resist 251 is developed, and the exposed part is removed. Thereafter, the silicon oxide films 249 on the external surface of the fourth epitaxial layer 247 and the external surface of the chip part 123 are removed by etching.

(9) As shown in Fig. 42, the resist 251 is removed. Thereafter, at $950^\circ C$ and in 200 Torr, in the state of silane (SiH_4) of 0.3 l/min, phosphine (PH_3) of 0.0005 l/min, and hydrogen of 200 l/min, the polysilicon layer 252 is formed on the surface of the silicon oxide film 249, and the etching pouring inlet 248 is closed.

Then, on the external surface of the fourth epitaxial layer 247 and the external surface of the chip part 123, is formed the n type fifth epitaxial growth layer 253. The surface roughness of the polysilicon layer 252 in this case is about $0.1 \mu\text{m}$ in the pitch interval.

As a result, since the surface of the vibrator beam 124 is a mirror surface, and the surface roughness is little and the surface is active, when the vibrator beam 124 contacts to the wall surface of the shell 129 due to the external disturbance such as shock, etc. and buckling, etc. by a large compression force, there is the fear that the vibrator beam, as it is, adheres on the wall surface of the shell 129, but since the surface of the vibrator beam 124 has been made be covered by the second layer consisting of polysilicon having rough surface, there occurs no such case that the vibrator beam 124 adheres on the surface of the shell 129, and the reliability of the device is improved.

Then, by making the surface of the diaphragm 127 in the outside of the shell 129, which has no relationship to the maladhesion countermeasure of the vibrator beam 124, be a single crystal, the strength, elastic characteristics, and stability similar to those of the conventional measuring diaphragm comprising whole single crystals can be obtained.

Fig. 43 is a constitution explanatory diagram of another embodiment of the present invention, and an enlarged diagram centered to the part of the vibrator beam 124.

In general, the tension of the vibrator beam 124 in the case of being used as a strain guage, gives influence as a guage factor GF.

$$GF = (1/2) (0.24 (L/h)^2)/(1 + 0.24 (L/h)^2 \epsilon_0)$$

- L : length of vibrator beam 124
 h : thickness of vibrator beam
 ϵ_0 : tension strain

The performance point of the strain gauge is limited by the working conditions such as, for example, the condition that the boron concentration is more than $3 \times 10^{19} \text{ cm}^{-3}$, and therefore, the crystal strain in the vibrator beam 124 is limited to about 200 to 300μ .

The device has such a defect that the design range capable of being selected becomes narrow due to the restriction of this performance point.

The embodiment shown in Fig. 43 intends to solve this problem.

In the embodiment of Fig. 43, the constitution of the same symbol as that in Fig. 8 represents the same function.

Numeral 261 denotes the first layer consisting of the oxide film or nitride film provided by covering the surface of the vibrator beam 3.

Numeral 262 denotes the second layer consisting of polysilicon provided by covering the first layer 261.

Numeral 263 denotes the third layer consisting of an oxide film or a nitride film provided by covering the wall surface of the diaphragm 132.

Numeral 264 denotes the fourth layer consisting of polysilicon provided by covering the surface of the third layer 263.

Numeral 265 denotes the fifth layer consisting of an oxide film or a nitride film provided by covering the external surface of the shell 129.

Numeral 266 denotes the sixth film consisting of polysilicon provided by covering the surface of the fifth layer 265.

Then, by adjusting the film thickness of the first layer 261 and the second layer 262, the tension formed by the vibrator beam 124, the first layer 261, and the second layer 262 is adjusted to a predetermined tension.

In the above-described constitution, the vibrating type transducer of the embodiment of Fig. 43 is produced in such a manner as shown in Figs. 44 to 50.

(1) As shown in Fig. 44, the chip part 123 cut on the (100) plane of the n type silicon, the film 271 of a silicon oxide or silicon nitride is formed. The necessary position 272 of the film 271 is removed by photolithography.

(2) As shown in Fig. 45, in a hydrogen (H_2) atmosphere of $1050^\circ C$, etching is carried out with hydrogen chloride, and the necessary position 272 of the chip part 123 is etched to undercut the film 271, and to form a concave part 273.

By the way, instead of hydrogen chloride, may be used high temperature steam and oxygen, or the anisotropic etching with an alkaline liquid of $40^\circ C$ to $130^\circ C$ may be used.

(3) As shown in Fig. 46, in a hydrogen (H_2) atmosphere of $1050^\circ C$, the selective epitaxial growth method is carried out by mixing hydrogen chloride gas in the source gas. That is,

① With the p type silicon of the boron concentration of 10^{18} cm^{-3} , the first epitaxial layer 274 corresponding to the upper half of the gap 131 is made be subjected to the selective epitaxial growth.

② With the p type silicon of the boron concentration of $3 \times 10^{19} \text{ cm}^{-3}$, on the surface of the first epitaxial layer 274, the second epitaxial layer 275 corresponding to the vibrator beam 124 is made be subjected to the selective epitaxial growth in such a manner as to close the necessary position 272.

③ With the p type silicon of the boron concentration of 10^{18} cm^{-3} , on the surface of the second epitaxial layer 275, the third epitaxial layer 276 corresponding to the lower half of the gap 131 is made be subjected to the selective epitaxial growth.

④ With the p type silicon of the boron concentration of $3 \times 10^{19} \text{ cm}^{-3}$, on the surface of the third epitaxial layer 276, the fourth epitaxial layer 277 corresponding to the shell 129 is made be subjected to the selective epitaxial growth.

(4) As shown in Fig. 47, the film 271 of silicon oxide or silicon nitride is removed by etching with hydrogen fluoride (HF) to provide an etching pouring inlet 278.

(5) As shown in Fig. 48, by applying positive pulse or positive voltage to the chip part 123 for the fourth layer 277, and by pouring in an alkaline liquid from the etching pouring inlet 278, the first epitaxial layer 274 and the third epitaxial layer 276 are removed by carrying out selective etching.

The reason why there is difference of the etching action between the second epitaxial layer 275 and the first epitaxial layer 274 or the third epitaxial layer 276 resides in that a suppressing phenomenon is generated in the etching action, when the boron concentration becomes more than $3 \times 10^{19} \text{ cm}^{-3}$.

(6) As shown in Fig. 49, the film 279 of silicon oxide or silicon nitride is formed on the whole body. In this case, the silicon oxide film is formed.

(7) As shown in Fig. 50, at $950^\circ C$ and in 200 Torr, and in the state of silane (SiH_4) of 0.3 l/min, phosphine (PH_3) of 0.0005 l/min, and hydrogen of 200 l/min, a polysilicon layer 281 is

formed on the surface of the silicon oxide film 279, and the etching pouring inlet 278 is closed. The surface roughness of the polysilicon layer 281 in this case is about $0.1 \mu\text{m}$ in the pitch interval.

Then, by adjusting the film thickness of the first layer 261 and the second layer 262, the tension formed by the vibrator beam 124, the first layer 261, and the second layer 262 is adjusted to the predetermined tension.

As a result, in the case when the vibrator beam 124 has been formed with the silicon of high boron concentration, the tension T becomes about 100 to 300μ in dependence to the boron concentration. When the first layer 281 consisting of the oxide film is formed on this vibrator beam 124, a compression force is generated, and since the tension T of the first layer 261 changes with the film thickness of the first layer 261, the tension T of the whole part of the vibrator beam can be regulated.

Further, when the silicon nitride film is formed as the first layer 261, a tensioning force is generated, and since the tension of the first layer 261 changes, the tension T of the whole part of the vibrator beam can be regulated further.

Furthermore, since the second layer 262 consisting of polysilicon and having the tension nearly equal to 0 has been provided on the external surface of the first layer 261, the tension T of the whole part of the vibrator beam can be made approach to 0, and the tension T as that of the whole part of the vibrator beam can be more easily regulated.

In Fig. 51, the relationship between the silicon oxide film thickness A, the silicon nitride film thickness B, and the temperature coefficient α is shown.

The thickness of the silicon oxide film A is shown with a white circle, and the thickness of the silicon nitride film B with a black circle. Here, when the silicon nitride film is made be as 2000 \AA , the total thickness becomes about 700μ .

By the way, when the surface of the vibrator beam 124 is covered with the second layer 262 consisting of polysilicon having rough surface, there occurs no case where the vibrator beam 124 adheres on the wall surface of the shell 129, and the reliability of the device is improved.

Fig. 52 is an essential part constitution explanatory diagram of another embodiment of the present invention.

In general, the temperature coefficient of the natural frequency of the silicon vibrator beam 124 is -30 to 40 ppm/K, and this is the value from the physical property values.

When it is such as described above, the temperature coefficient is too large for the case of using it in the sensor of high precision, and the stability of the temperature sensor for use of the

temperature correction is required. As a result, the device becomes expensive in the cost, and the stability of the whole device is influenced by the stability of the temperature sensor. The embodiment of Fig. 52 intends to solve this problem.

In the figure, the constitution of the same symbol as that of Fig. 8 represents the same function.

Numeral 291 denotes the first layer consisting of the oxide film or nitride film provided by covering the surface of the vibrator beam 124.

Numeral 292 denotes the second layer consisting of polysilicon provided by covering the surface of the first layer 291.

Numeral 293 denotes the third layer consisting of oxide layer or nitride layer provided by covering the wall surface 132 of the diaphragm 127.

Numeral 294 denotes the fourth layer consisting of polysilicon provided by covering the surface of the third layer 293.

Numeral 295 denotes the fifth layer consisting of oxide film or nitride film provided by covering the external surface of the shell 129.

Numeral 296 denotes the sixth layer consisting of polysilicon provided by covering the surface of the fifth layer 295.

Then, by adjusting the film thickness of the first layer 291 and the second layer 292, the temperature coefficient formed by the vibrator beam 124, the first layer 291, and the second layer 292 is adjusted to the predetermined temperature coefficient.

In the above-described constitution, the vibrating type transducer of the embodiment of Fig. 52 is produced in such a manner as described in Figs. 53 to 59.

(1) As shown in Fig. 53, on the chip part 123 cut on the (100) plane of n type silicon is formed the film 301 of silicon oxide or silicon nitride. The necessary position of film 301 is removed by photolithography.

(2) As shown in Fig. 54, in the hydrogen (H_2) atmosphere of $1050^\circ C$, etching is carried out with hydrogen chloride, and by etching the necessary part 302 in the chip part 123 to undercut the film 301, and a concave part 303 is formed. By the way, instead of hydrogen chloride, high temperature steam and oxygen may be used, or the anisotropic etching with an alkaline liquid of $40^\circ C$ to $130^\circ C$ may be used.

(3) As shown in Fig. 55, in the hydrogen (H_2) atmosphere of $1050^\circ C$, the selective epitaxial growth method is carried out. That is,

① With the p type silicon of the boron concentration of 10^{18} cm^{-3} , the first epitaxial layer 304 corresponding to the upper half of the gap 131 is made be subjected to the selective epitaxial growth.

② With the p type silicon of the boron

concentration of $3 \times 10^{19} \text{ cm}^{-3}$, on the surface of the first epitaxial layer 304, the second epitaxial layer 302 corresponding to the vibrator beam 124 is made be subjected to the selective epitaxial growth.

③ With the p type silicon of the boron concentration of 10^{18} cm^{-3} , on the surface of the second epitaxial layer 305, the third epitaxial layer 306 corresponding to the lower half of the gap 131 is made be subjected to the selective epitaxial growth.

④ With the p type silicon of the boron concentration of $3 \times 10^{19} \text{ cm}^{-3}$, on the surface of the third epitaxial layer 306, the fourth epitaxial layer 307 is made be subjected to the selective epitaxial growth.

(4) As shown in Fig. 56, the film 301 of silicon oxide or silicon nitride is removed by etching with hydrogen fluoride acid (HF) to provide the etching pouring inlet 308.

(5) As shown in Fig. 57, by applying positive pulse or positive voltage to the chip part 123 for the fourth layer 301, and by pouring in an alkaline liquid from the etching pouring inlet 308, the first epitaxial layer 304 and the third epitaxial layer 306 are removed by carrying out selective etching.

The reason why there is difference between the second epitaxial layer 305 and the first epitaxial layer 304 or the third epitaxial layer 306 resides in that a suppressing phenomenon is generated in the etching action when the boron concentration becomes more than $3 \times 10^{19} \text{ cm}^{-3}$

(6) As shown in Fig. 58, the film 309 of silicon oxide or silicon nitride is formed on the whole body. In this case, silicon oxide film is formed.

(7) As shown in Fig. 59, at 950°C in 200 Torr, in the state of silane (SiH_4) of 0.3 l/min, phosphine (PH_3) of 0.0005 l/min, and hydrogen of 200 l/min, polysilicon layer 311 is formed on the surface of the silicon oxide film 309, and the etching pouring inlet 308 is closed. The surface roughness of the polysilicon layer in this case is about $0.1 \mu\text{m}$ in pitch interval.

Then, by adjusting the film thickness of the first layer 291 and the second layer 292, the temperature coefficient formed by the vibrator beam 124, the first layer 291, and the second layer 292 is adjusted to the predetermined temperature coefficient.

As a result, in the case when the vibrator beam 124 has been produced with the high concentration boron silicon, the temperature coefficient α becomes to be determined by the boron concentration. When the first layer 291 consisting of an oxide film is formed, since the temperature coefficient of the first layer 291 changes by the film thickness of the first layer 291, the temperature coefficient of

the whole vibrator beam part can be regulated to 0.

By the way, even if the silicon nitride film is formed as the first layer 291, since the temperature coefficient of the first layer 291 changes with the film thickness, the temperature coefficient of the whole vibrator beam part can be regulated to 0.

Further, since the second layer 292 consisting of polysilicon has been provided on the external surface of the first layer 291, it is more easily regulated that the temperature coefficient of the whole vibrator beam part is made 0.

In Fig. 60, the relationship between the silicon oxide film thickness A, the silicon nitride film thickness B, and the temperature coefficient α in the case when the thickness of the vibrator beam 124 is $3.5 \mu\text{m}$, and the thickness of the second layer is $1 \mu\text{m}$.

The thickness A of the silicon oxide film is shown with a white circle, and the thickness B of the nitride film with a black circle.

By the way, in the above-described embodiment, although explanation has been given on the constitution of the fifth layer 295 consisting of oxide film or nitride film provided by covering the external surface of the shell 129 and the sixth layer 296 consisting of polysilicon provided by covering the surface of the fifth layer 295, but the constitution is not limited to this one, and for example, it will do that the epitaxial growth layer consisting of a silicon single layer may be provided by removing the fifth layer 295 consisting of oxide film or nitride film on the external surface of the shell 129, and in effect, it will do that the one constituted in such a manner that it can seal the vibrator beam 124 may be used.

Claims

1. In a vibrating type pressure measuring device for measuring pressure by utilizing that the natural frequency of the vibrator beam changes in correspondence to the change of axial force of the vibrator beam, the improvement characterised by having a sensor part comprising,

a housing having internal vacant space, a supporting body provided in said internal vacant space, a substrate consisting of silicon supported at one surface by said supporting body, a chip part consisting of silicon for constituting the measuring chamber of one side with the above-described substrate for forming a diaphragm by a concave part, and with said concave part, a vibrator beam consisting of silicon provided in the above-described diaphragm for keeping a gap kept in vacuum, having an H shape with the tip part fixed to said diaphragm,

a DC magnetic field applying means for

constituting another measuring chamber with the above-described sensor part, and for applying DC magnetic field to the above-described vibrator beam, comprising,

a ring-like spacer fixed at one surface to the above-described housing and provided in the circumference of the above-described supporting body, the substrate, and the chip part, a permanent magnet arranged in opposition to the above-described vibrator beam, a yoke for holding said permanent magnet (together with that for applying magnetic field for perpendicularly intersecting the axial direction of the above-described vibrator beam), and provided for approaching at one surface to the above-described diaphragm to constitute a narrow required gap with the above-described diaphragm, and a yoke holder for preserving said yoke and fixed to the above-described spacer;

and a charging liquid for being charged in the above-described another measuring chamber.

2. A vibrating type pressure measuring device characterised by being equipped with a rough surface or uneven surface provided on the wall surface of the above-described diaphragm or on the surface of the above-described vibrator beam.

3. A vibrating type pressure measuring device as claimed in Claim 1, characterised by being equipped with

the first layer consisting of oxide film or nitride film provided by covering the surface of the above-described vibrator beam,

the second layer consisting of polysilicon having rough surface provided by covering the surface of said first layer,

the third layer consisting of oxide film or nitride film provided by covering the internal surface of the above-described chamber,

the fourth layer consisting of polysilicon provided by covering the surface of said third layer,

the fifth layer consisting of silicon oxide film or silicon nitride film provided by covering the external surface of the above-described shell, and

the sixth layer consisting of polysilicon provided by covering the surface of said fifth layer.

4. A vibrating type pressure measuring device as claimed in Claim 1 characterised by being equipped with

the first layer consisting of oxide film or nitride film provided by covering the surface of

the above-described vibrator beam,

the second layer consisting of polysilicon having rough surface provided by covering the surface of said first layer,

the third layer consisting of oxide film or nitride film provided by covering the internal surface of the above-described chamber,

the fourth layer consisting of polysilicon provided by covering the surface of said third layer, and

the seventh layer consisting of silicon single crystal provided by covering the external surface of the above-described shell.

5. A vibrating type pressure measuring device as claimed in Claim 1, characterised by being equipped with

the first layer consisting of oxide film or nitride film provided by covering the surface of the above-described vibrator beam,

the second layer consisting of polysilicon provided by covering the surface of said first layer,

the third layer consisting of oxide film or nitride film provided on the internal surface of the above-described chamber, and

the fourth layer consisting of polysilicon provided by covering the surface of said third layer,

and by adjusting the film thickness of the above-described first layer and the second layer, the tension formed by the above-described vibrator beam, the first layer, and the second layer is adjusted to a predetermined tension.

6. A vibrating type pressure measuring device characterised by being equipped with

the first layer consisting of oxide film or nitride film provided by covering the surface of the above-described vibrator beam,

the second layer consisting of polysilicon provided by covering the surface of said first layer,

the third layer consisting of oxide film or nitride film provided by covering the internal surface of the above-described chamber, and

the fourth layer consisting of polysilicon provided by covering said third layer, and

by adjusting the film thickness of the above-described first layer and the above-described second layer, the temperature coefficient formed by the above-described vibrator beam, the first layer, and the second layer has been adjusted to a predetermined temperature coefficient.

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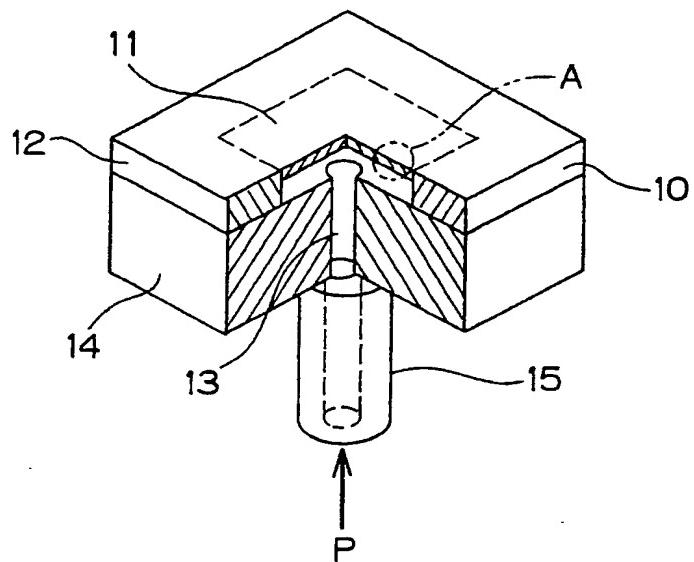


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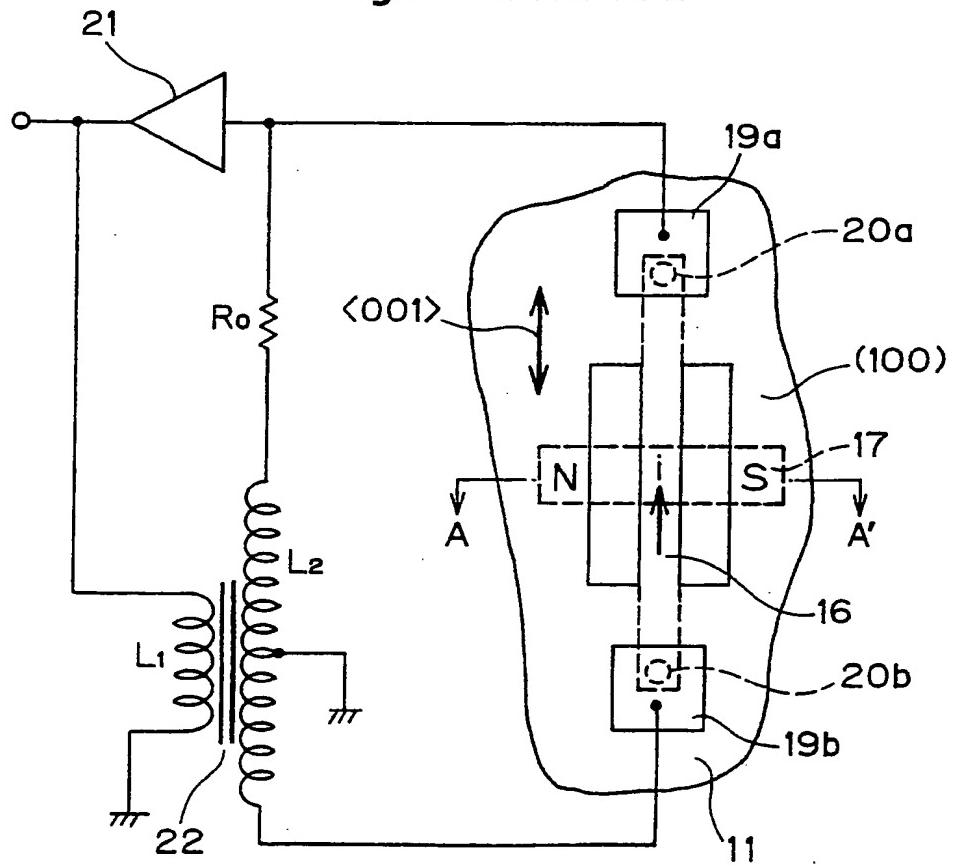


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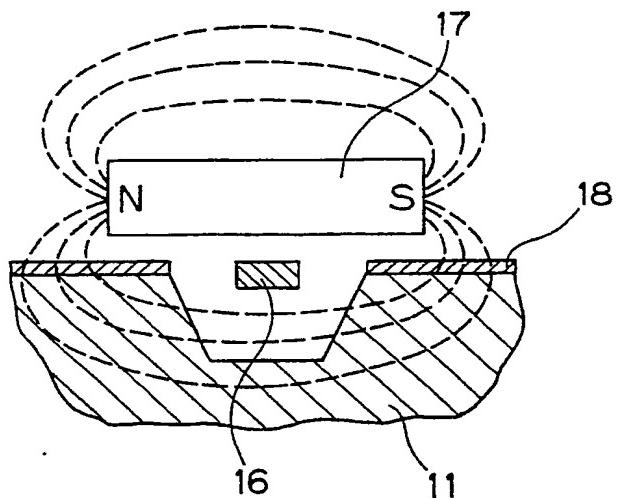


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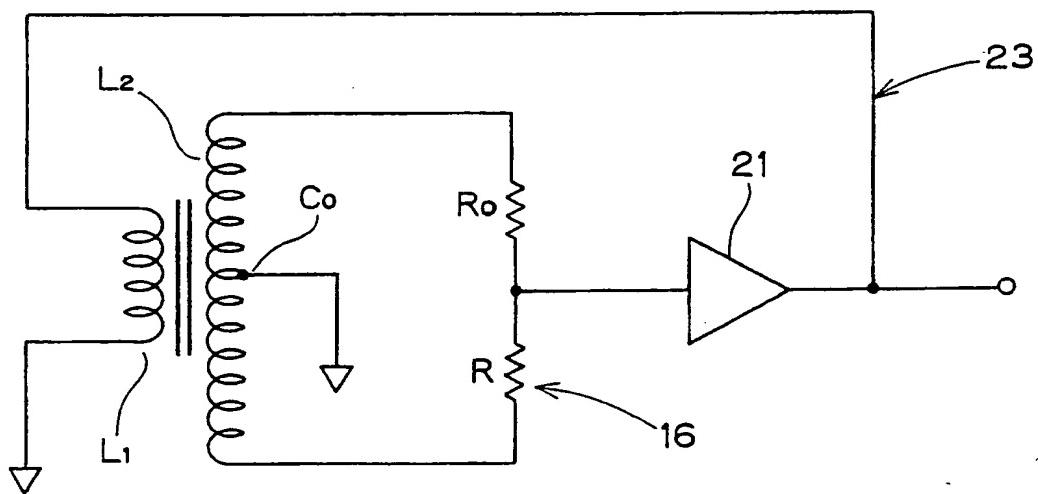


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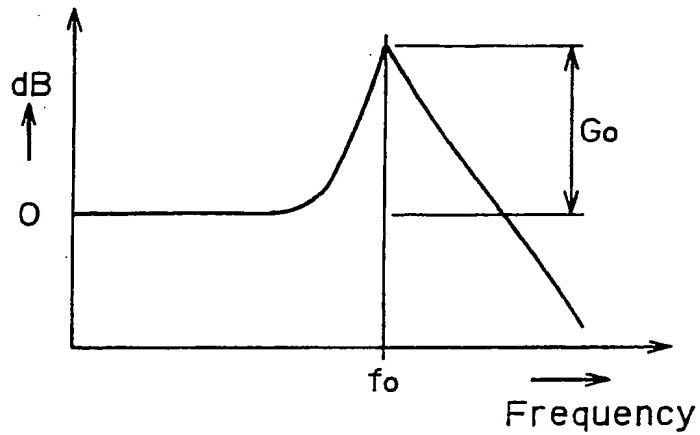


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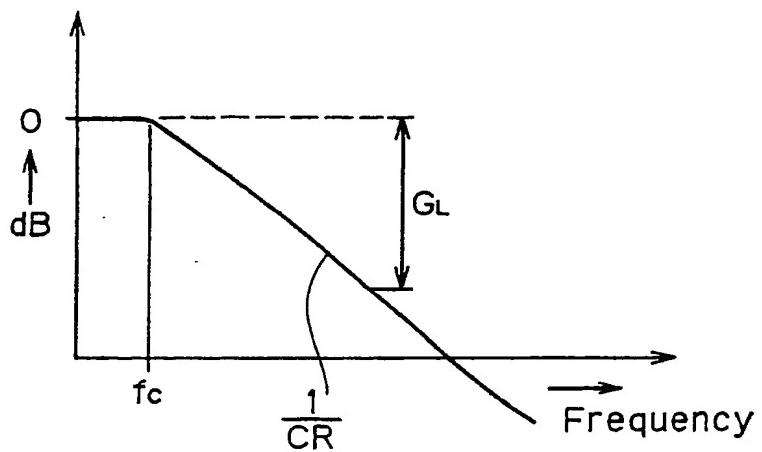


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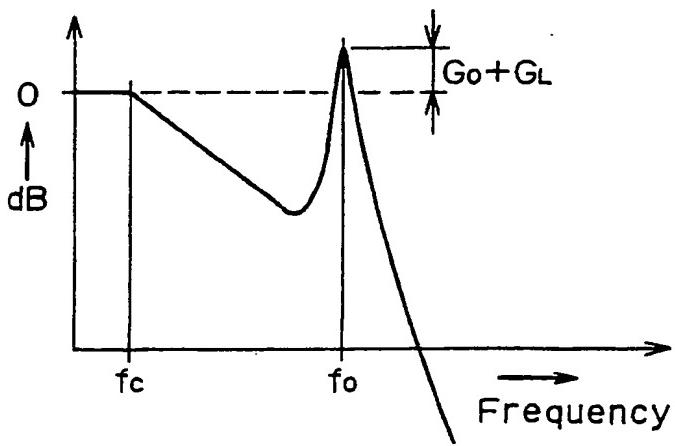


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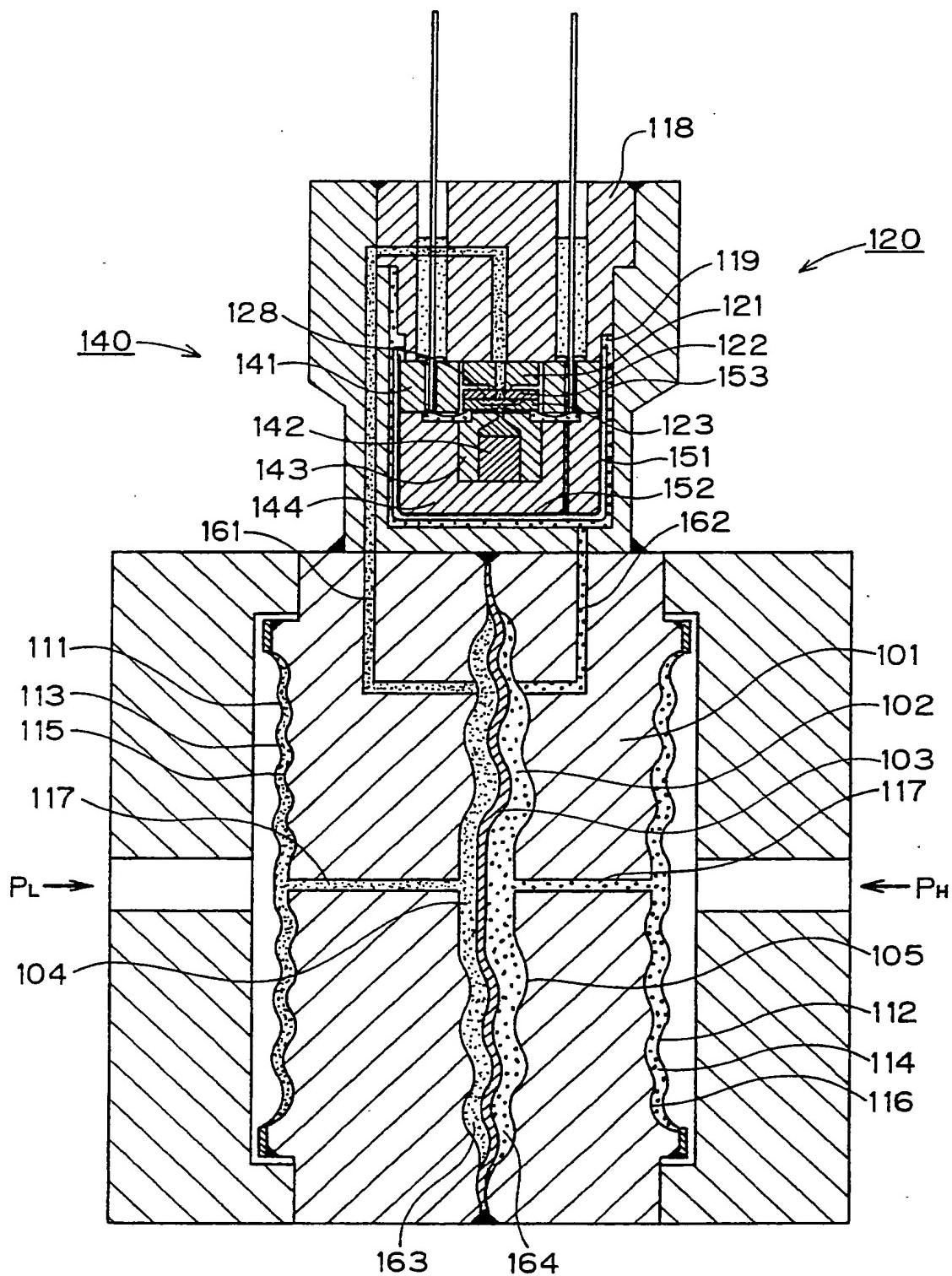


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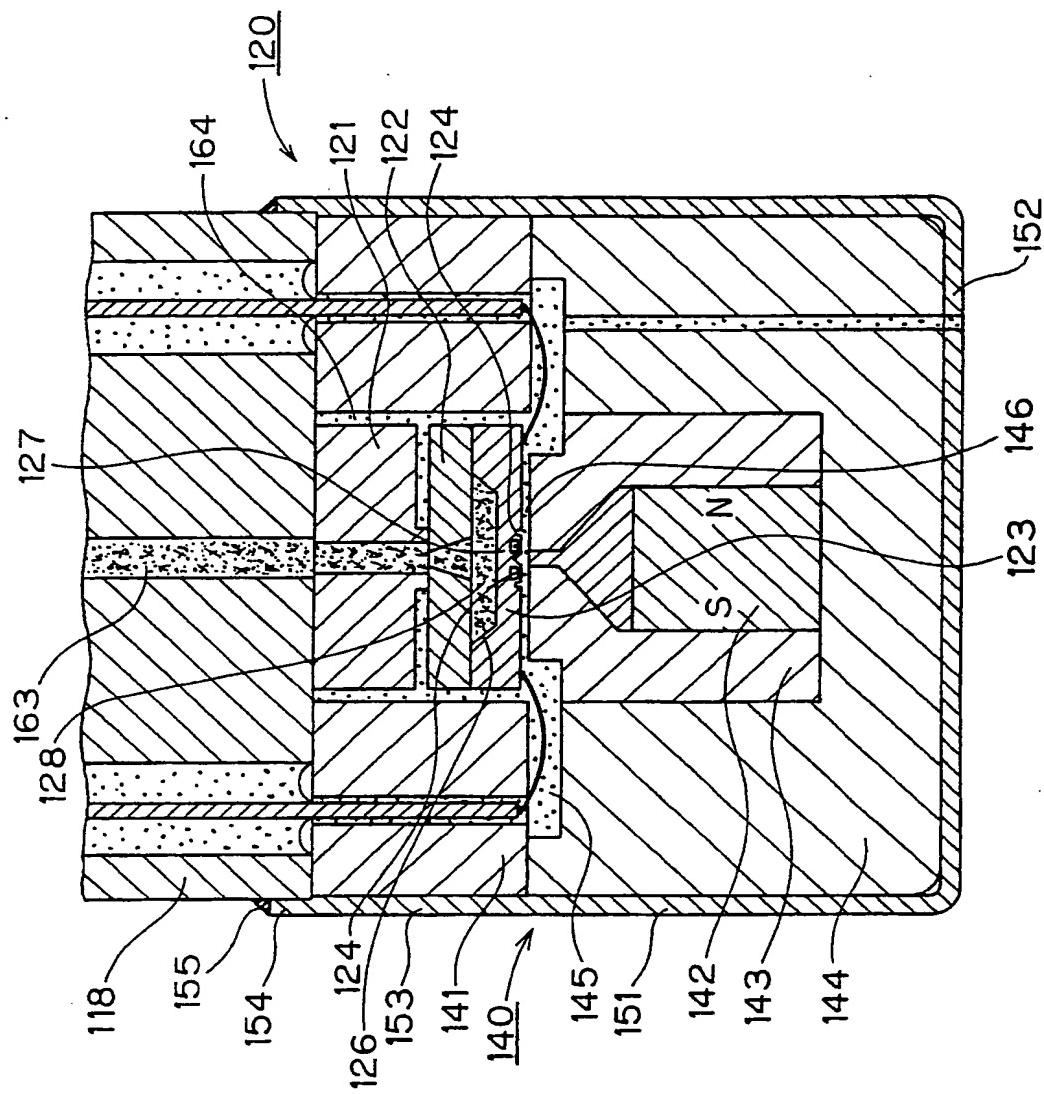


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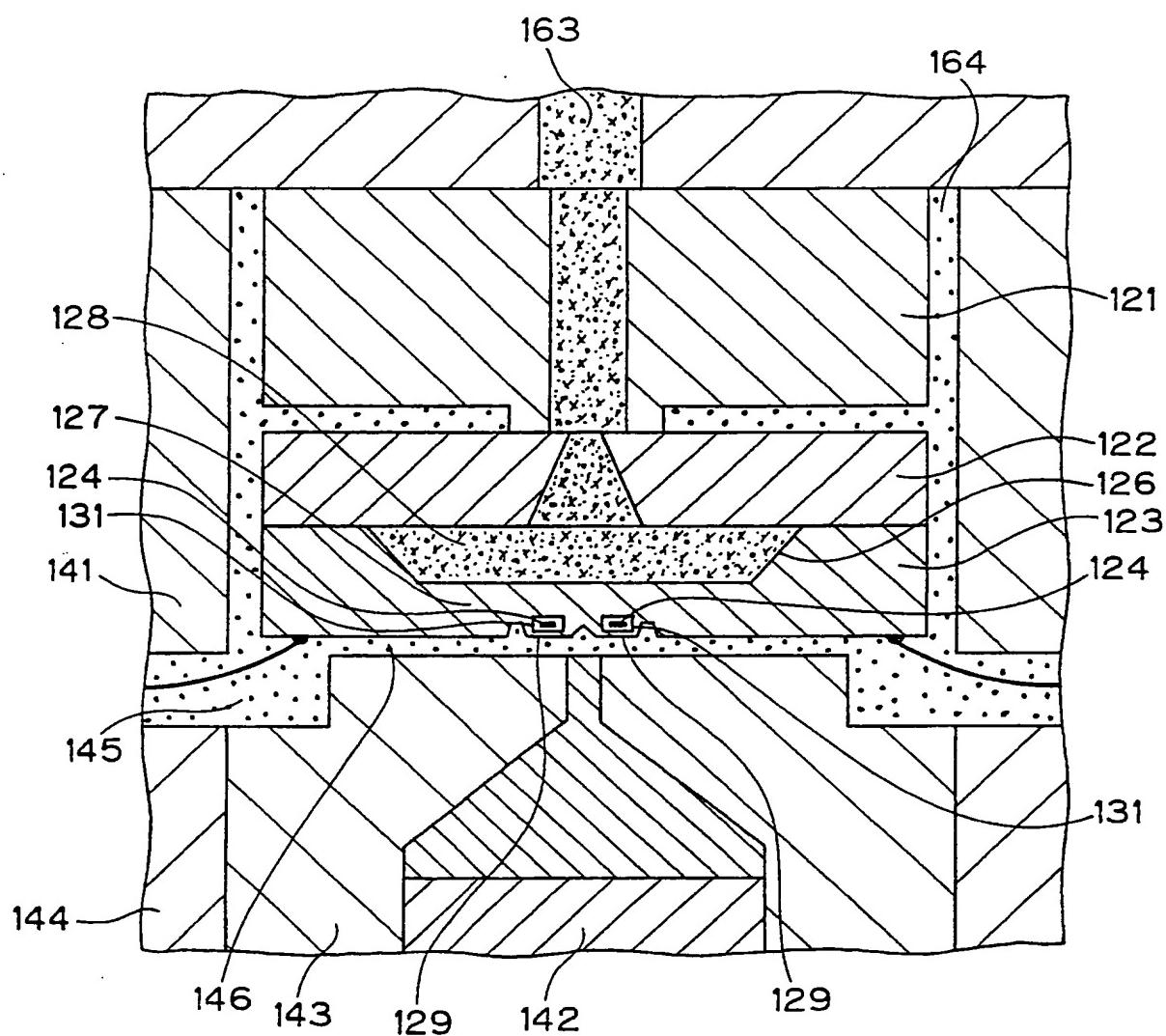


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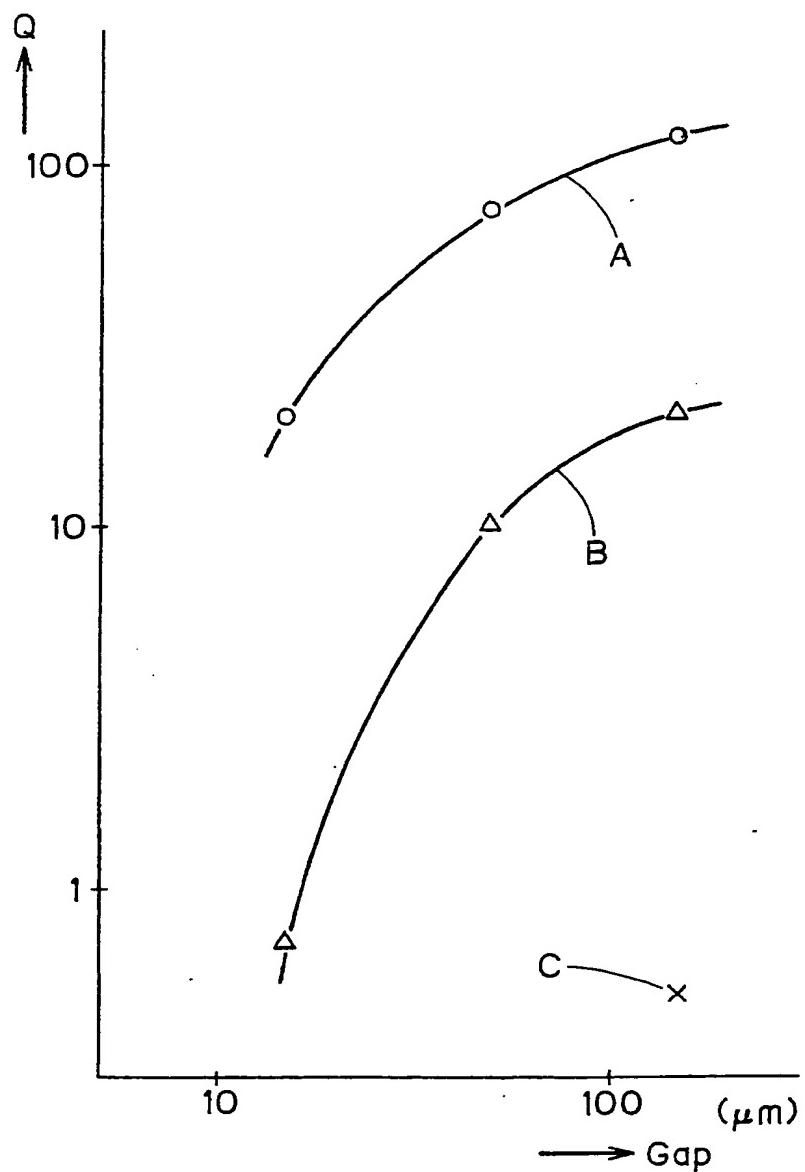


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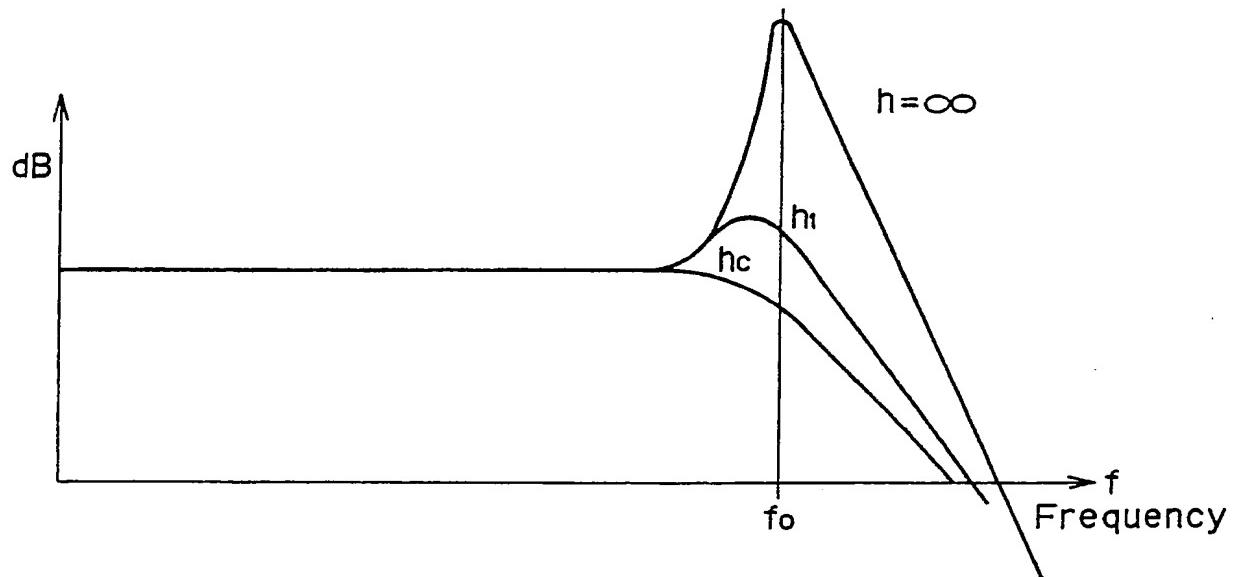


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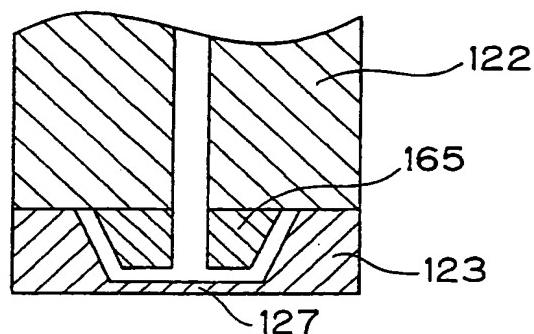


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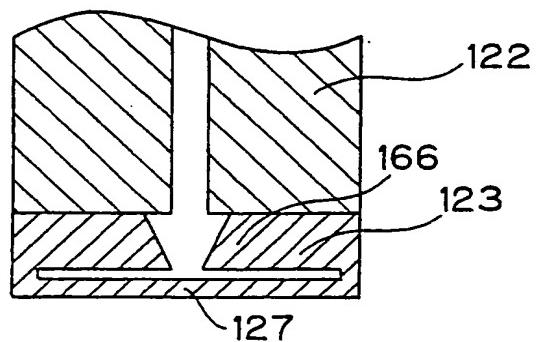


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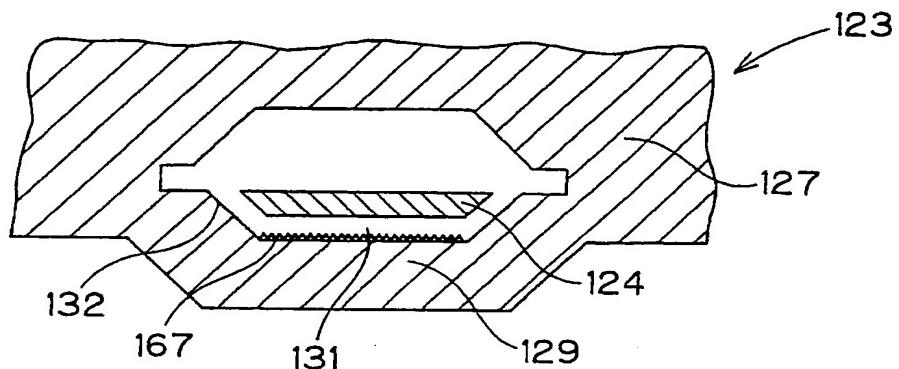


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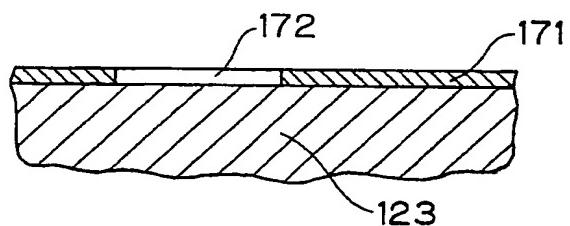


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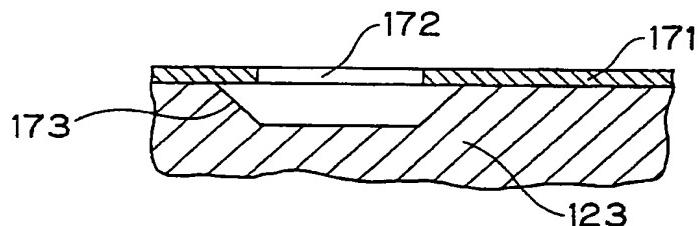


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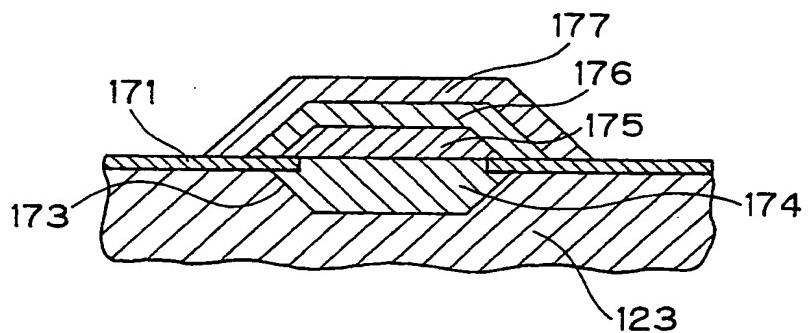


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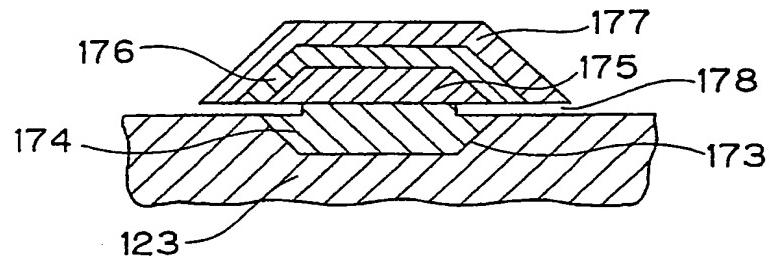


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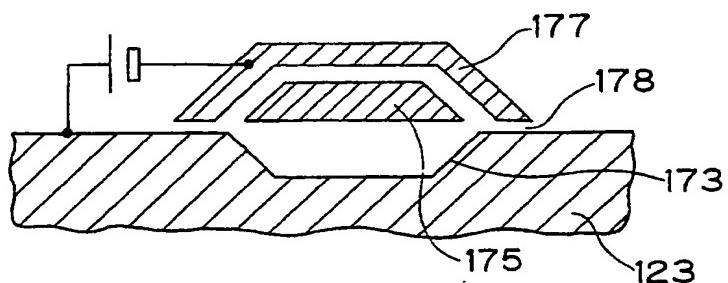


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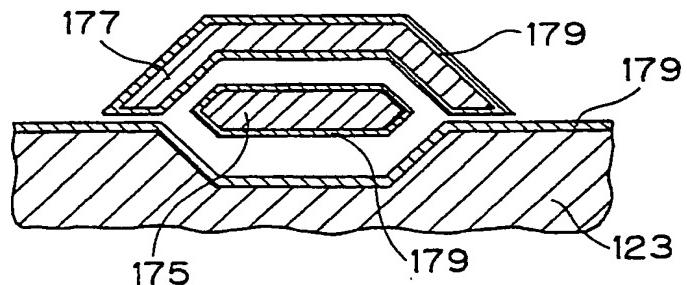


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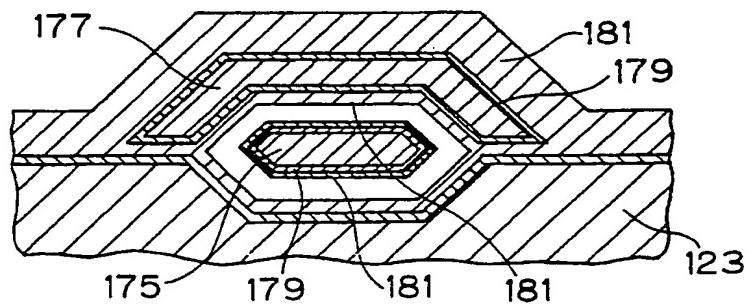


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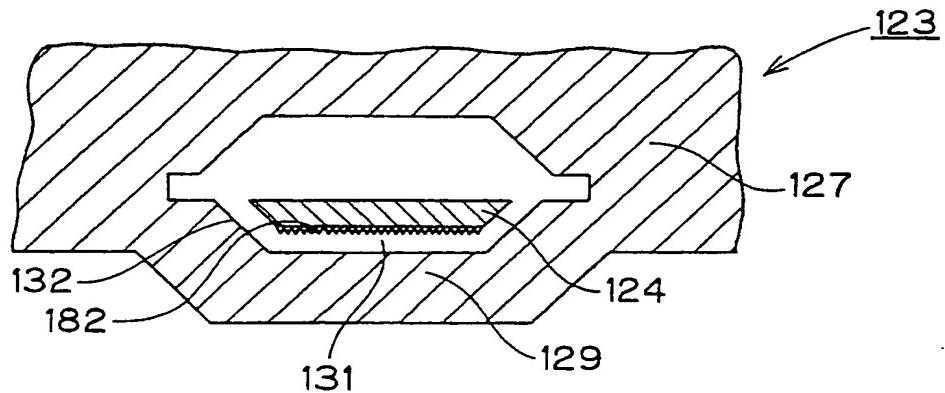


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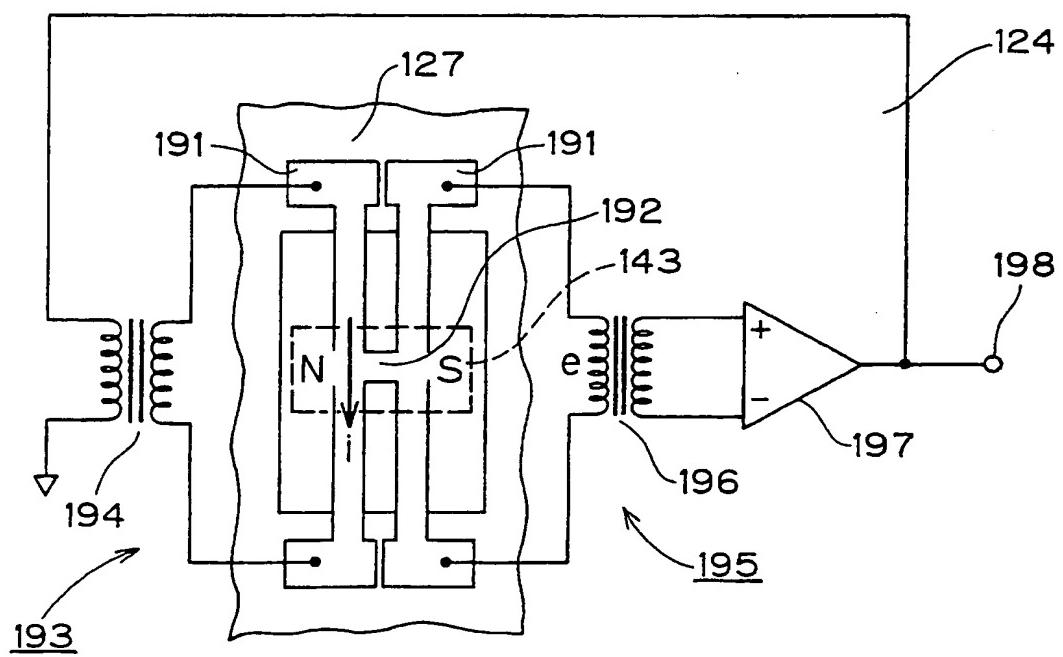


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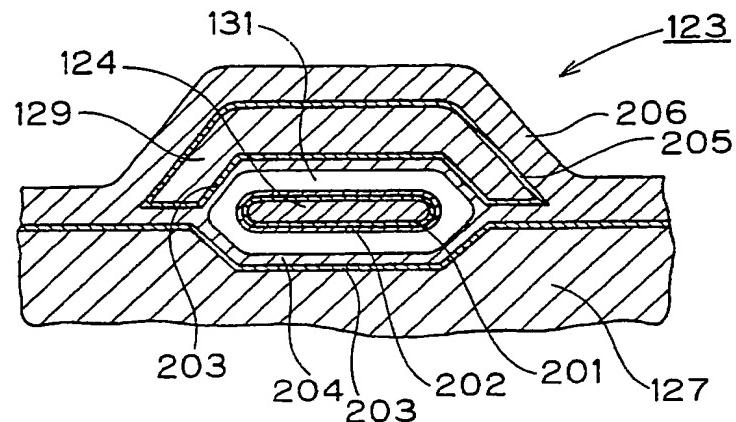


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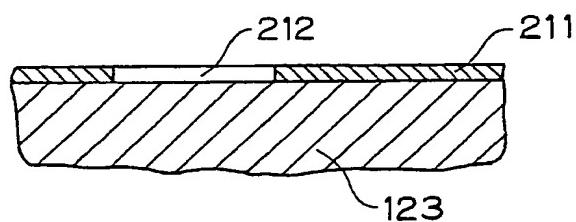


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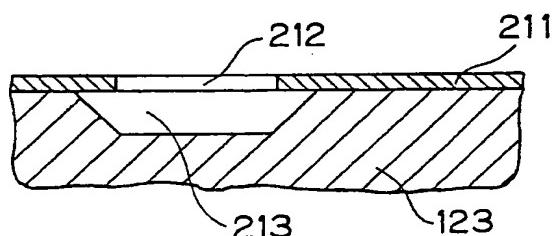


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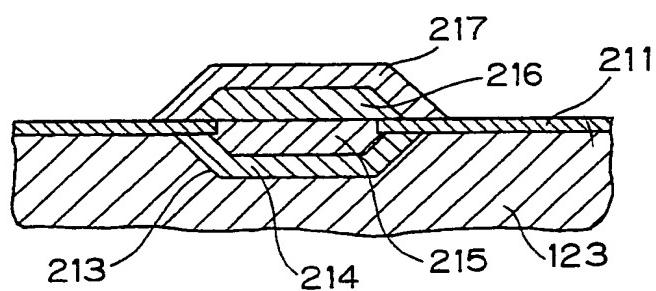


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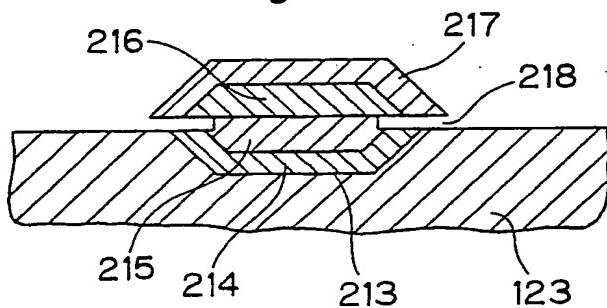


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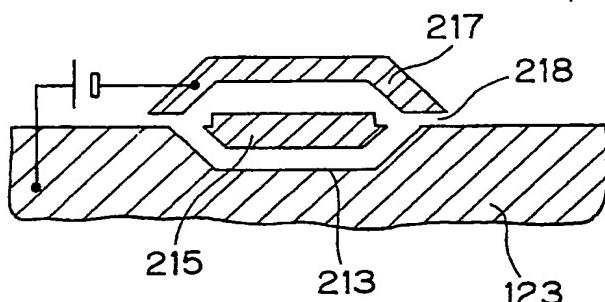


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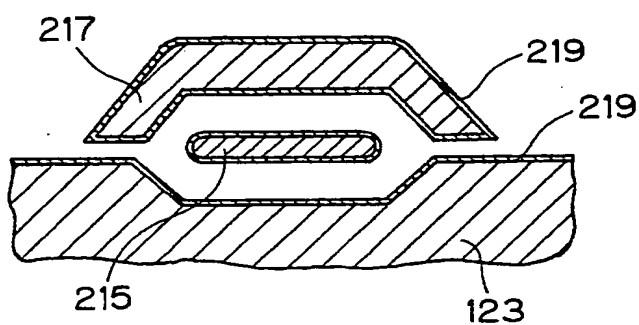


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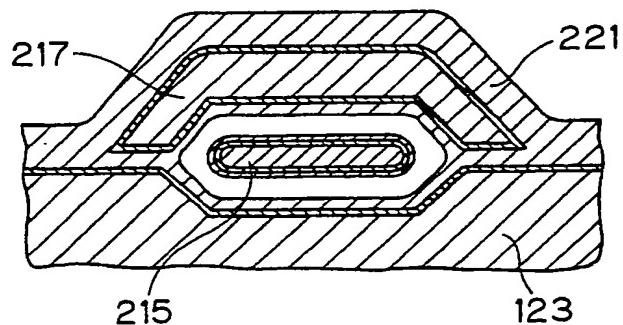


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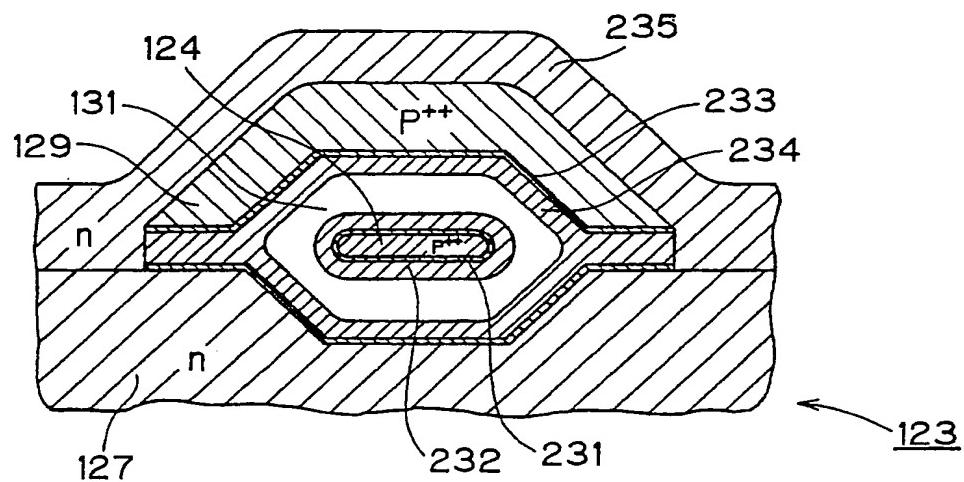


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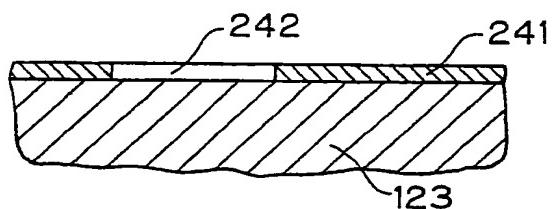


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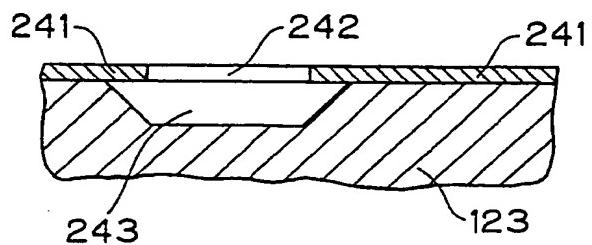


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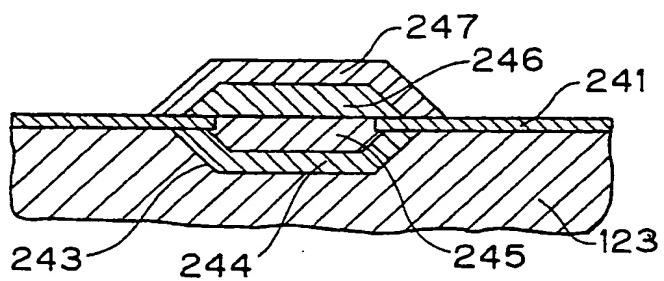


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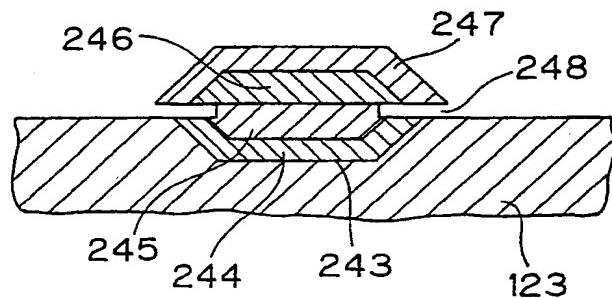


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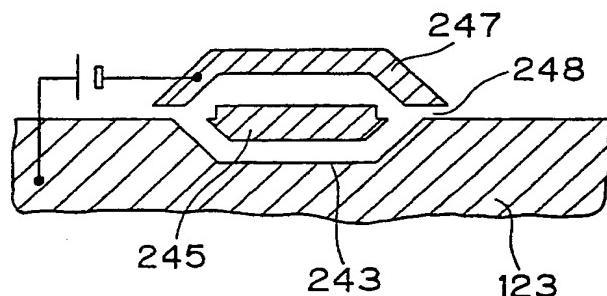


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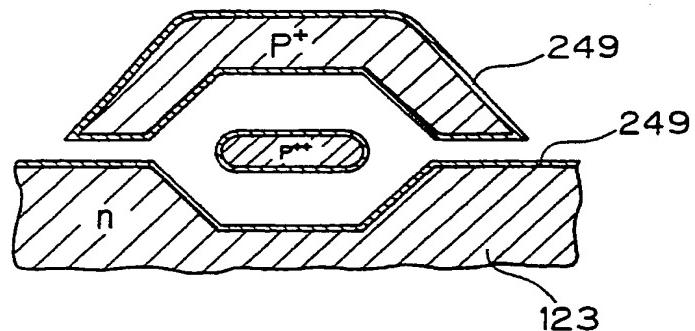


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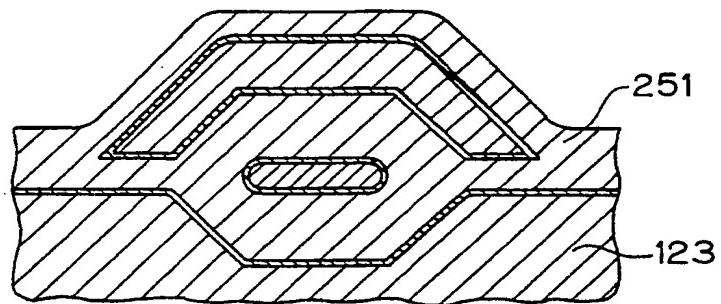


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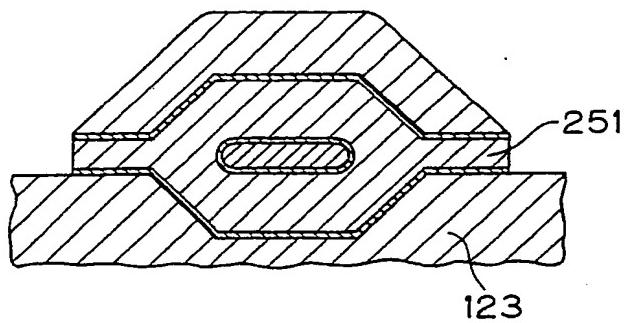


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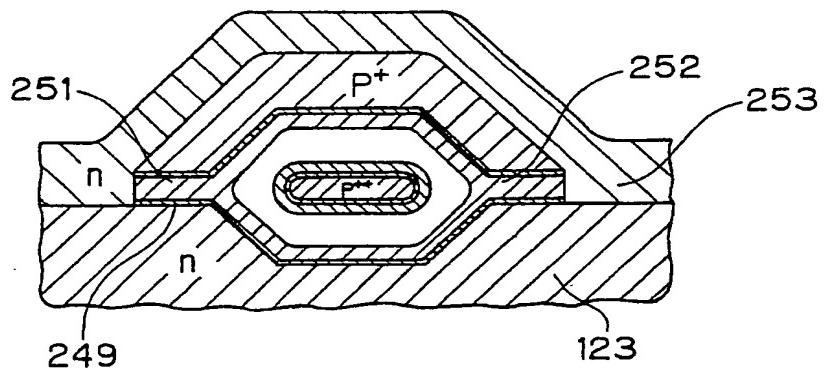


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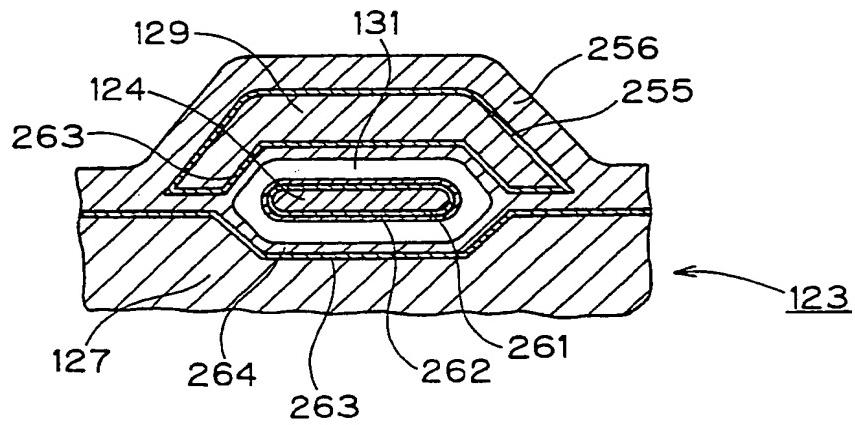


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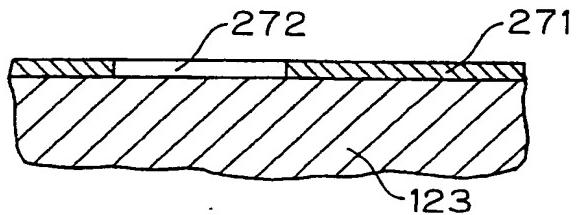


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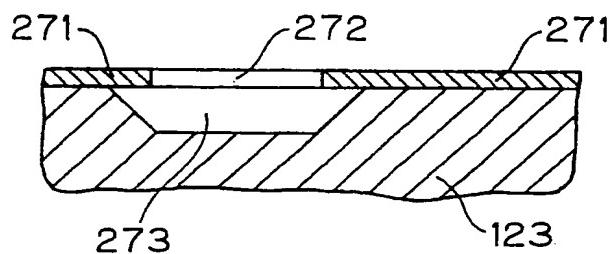


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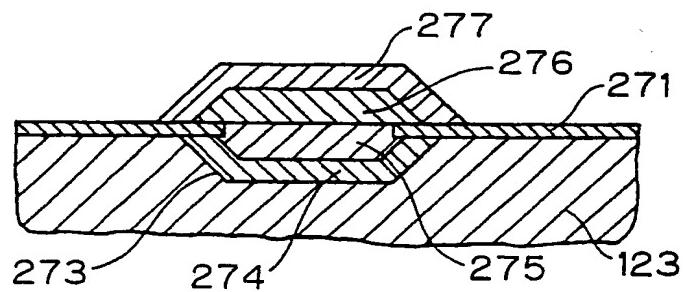


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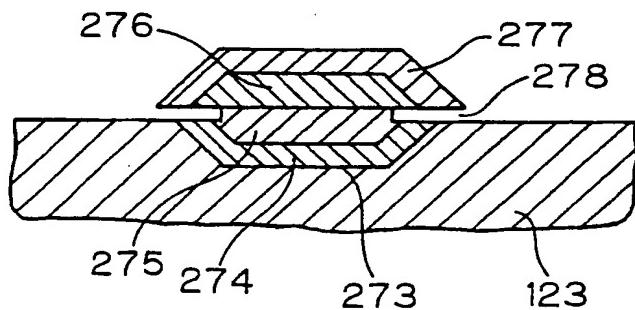


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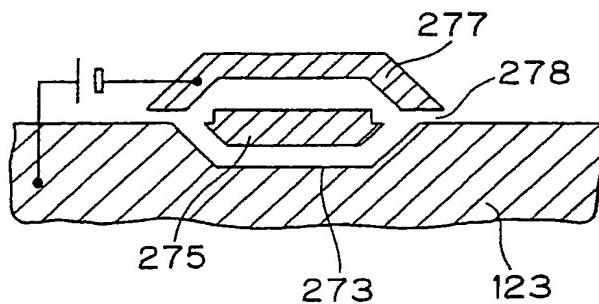


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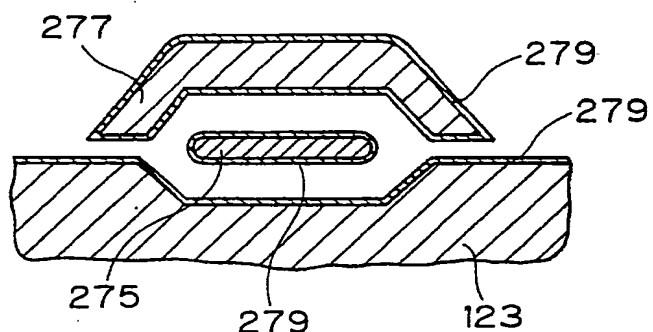


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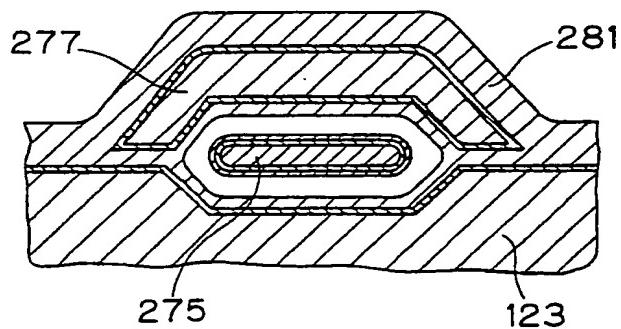


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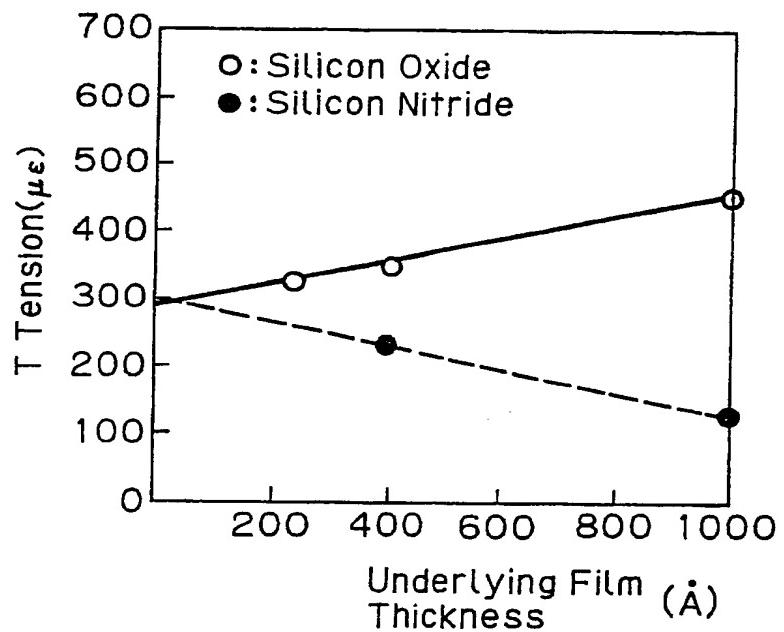


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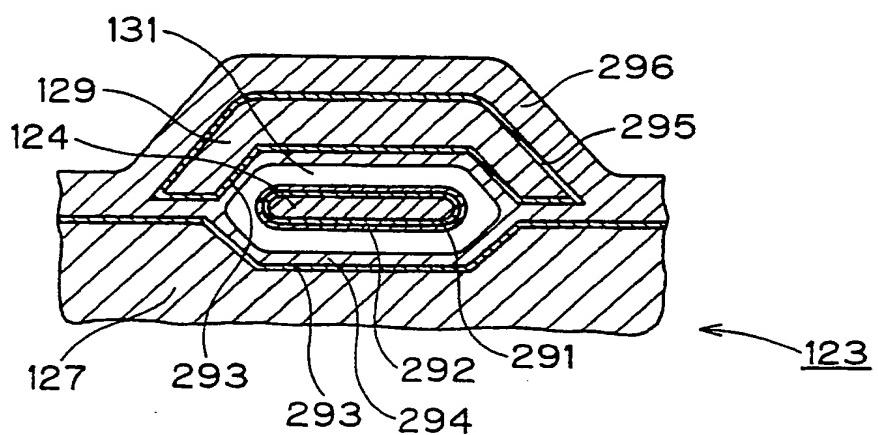


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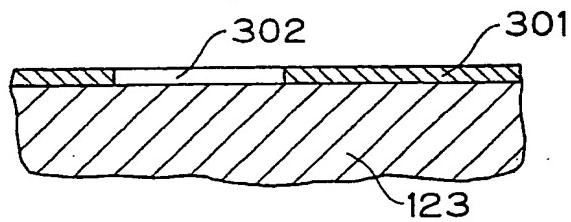


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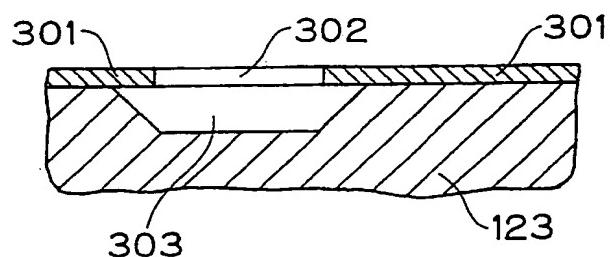


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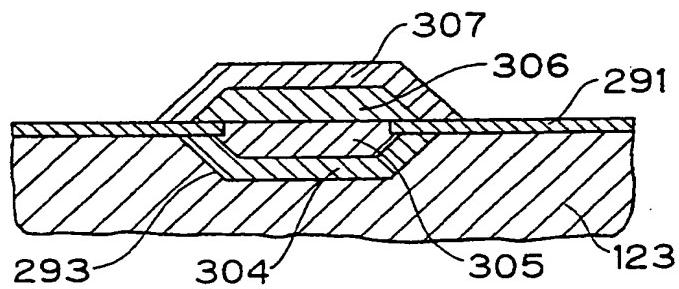


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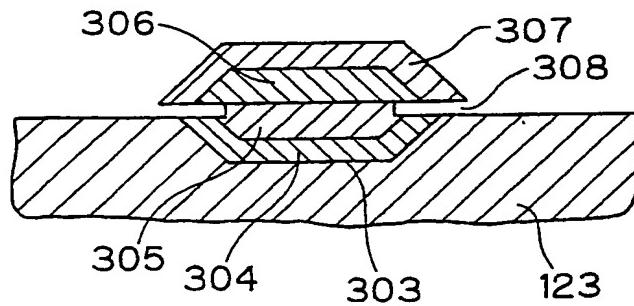


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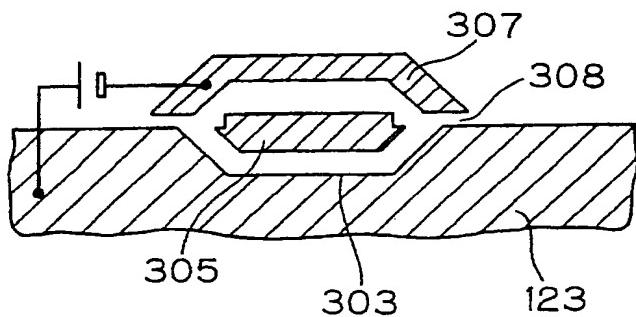


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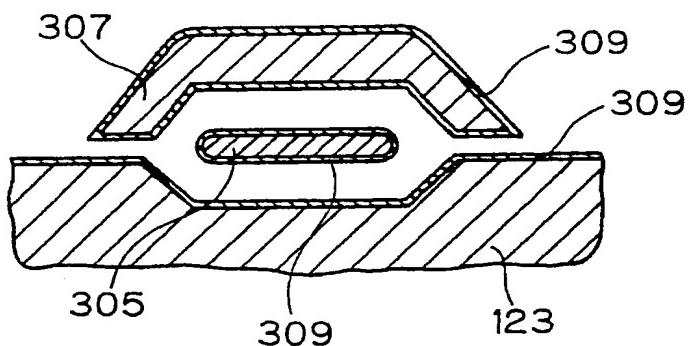


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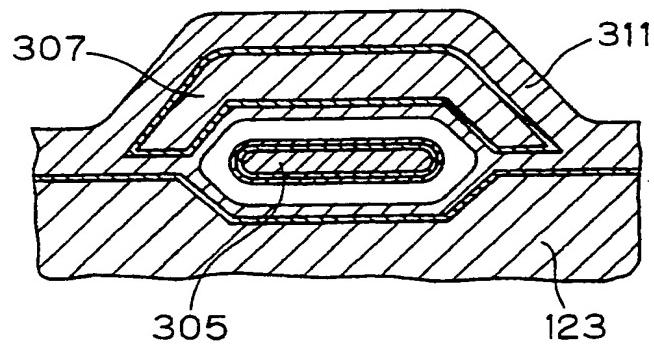
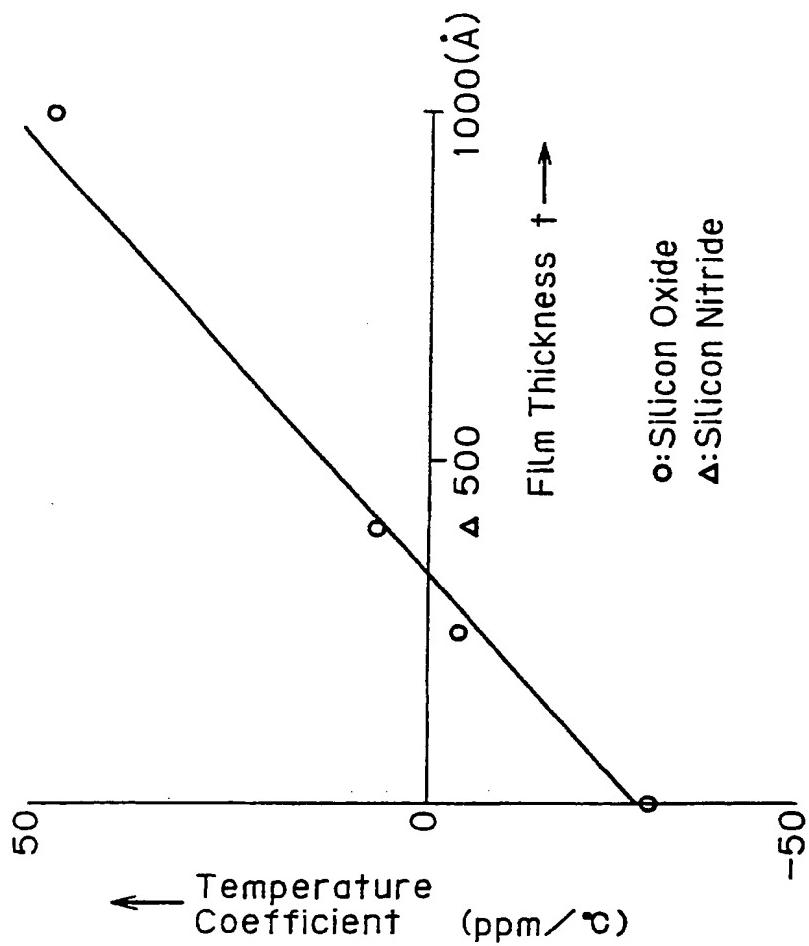


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